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COMMENT OF THE DAY

Egypt May Lose On Balance

IN announcing Egypt's determination to Egyptianize foreign banks and insurance companies, the Finance Minister disclosed a grave economic situation and blamed the British and French firms for it. They in turn disclaimed the blame, but regardless of who or what is responsible the important thing is the disclosure.

Cairo has since announced that Egypt has lost over \$500,000,000 through the Anglo-French adventure. In itself the figure may be merely staking Egypt's maximum claim in any eventual settlement of claims or counter-claims with Britain and France. But if it has any vestige of realism, it is a disastrous loss for an economy of Egypt's size.

Following the price that Persia paid through former Prime Minister Mossadeq's action in nationalising the Anglo-Iranian Petroleum Company, this Egyptian price of forfeiting the West's goodwill by seizing foreign firms will not be lost on other Middle Eastern countries and it is not to be taken for granted that they will for ever want to cut off their noses to spite their own faces.

The Middle East is not homogeneous. The oil producing countries there do not have the same interests as the oil transit countries in the area. Iraq and Persia know what the cutting of the Syrian and Suez transit routes cost them. Similarly other countries in Asia such as India, Pakistan and Ceylon have been badly hit by the closure of the Canal and they dislike the effect it has had on their economy.

Although the governments of these nations have paid lip service to Colonel Nasser during the crisis, the Egyptian-Syrian attitude, with its current toleration of communism, may yet affect their outlook when the final balance is struck.

HK-CHARTERED SHIPS MAY BE FIRST THROUGH CANAL

West Breeze Due At Suez Today TOLLS MYSTERY

Two Hongkong-chartered ships may be the first British ships to pass through the Suez Canal since the outbreak of hostilities last November.

This was disclosed in a cable from Port Said today and was confirmed in Hongkong. The two ships are the 3,000-ton West Breeze, owned by John Manners and Co. Ltd and registered in this Colony, and the 7,127-ton Poplar Hill, owned by Halifax Overseas Freighters Ltd, registered in London.

A spokesman for John Manners said the West Breeze was expected at Suez today. He said the ship was under time charter to Messrs Far East Enterprises (HK) Ltd and he understood the charterers planned to send the vessel through the Canal.

It is believed Far East Enterprises Co. (HK) Ltd. has trade connections with Mainland China.

LEFT CHEFOO

The Poplar Hill, a France-France cable, was expected to arrive at Suez tomorrow. The ship is believed to be proceeding to European ports. According to Marine Department records, the West Breeze cleared for the Chinese port of Chefoo, Shandong Province, on March 14. There is no further record of her returning here or leaving for a different port.

The Poplar Hill cleared Hongkong for Singapore on March 23.

BLOCKED AT SUEZ

Responsible officials of Far East Enterprises Co. could not be contacted up to the time of going to press. The John Manners spokesman said he had no knowledge of

the arrangements being made for payment of Canal dues. The Canal authorities have insisted on dues being paid in gold dollars and have indicated that they might be prepared to accept various European currencies, but not sterling. A France-Press cable said no British ships have passed through the Canal since the Anglo-French intervention in Egypt last year. The ship Maria Vittoria, flying the British flag, was blocked at Suez, where it arrived earlier this month, because of a disagreement with the Egyptian Canal authorities on the payment of transit fees.

UN PLAN SHELVED For A Week?

Washington, Apr. 17. The United States decided suddenly today against placing the Suez Canal problem before the United Nations Security Council at present. The United Press was informed that the decision against seeking Security Council action now was "made this morning." A later report said the move to take the dispute to the Security Council would be made before next week. Informants said the State Department decided that "it would not be useful at this stage" to broaden the talks on the Canal by seeking Security Council action. Britain, France, Egypt and UN Secretary General Mr Dag Hammarskjöld were said to have agreed that action should be delayed.—United Press.

Marshall Quits

Singapore, Apr. 17. The Central Committee of the ruling Labour Front Party today accepted the resignation of former Chief Minister, David Marshall.—France-Press.

EDEN: NO THANKS, I'LL PAY MY OWN BILLS

Boston, Apr. 17. Sir Anthony Eden today declined offers of financial help to pay for his recent operation.

In a statement issued through the British Consul General, Mr Robert Marrett, Sir Anthony said he was "most grateful for the various offers made by friends in both the United Kingdom and in the

MENZIES IN HONGKONG



The Australian Prime Minister, Mr R. G. Menzies, accompanied by his wife, Dame Pattie Menzies, arrived in Hongkong from Tokyo this morning. Mr Menzies has been on a six-day state visit to Japan. He arrived by PAA airliner. The Prime Minister will be the guest of the Governor, Sir Alexander Grantham and Lady Grantham during his overnight stay. Tomorrow he leaves for Bangkok and then to Manila on his way home.

On his arrival, his Press Secretary, Mr Hugh Dash said Mr Menzies was "tired after the trip and had nothing to say". Travelling with the Prime Minister were Sir Allen Brown, Secretary of the Prime Minister's Department; Mr J. Pimlott, senior Assistant Secretary, the Department of External Affairs; Mr J. Shollens from the Prime Minister's Department; and Miss H. Craig, private secretary. Meeting Mr Menzies and his

party were: Mr R. White, ADC to the Governor; Mr R. T. Ridley, Australian Trade Commissioner and Mrs Ridley; Mr T. R. L. Ledward, political adviser; Mr W. Handmer, Australian Govt External Affairs Attaché and Mr S. S. Knowles, Govt FBO.

In the picture above, taken by our staff photographer, Mr Menzies is seen shaking hands with Mr Ridley. Mr White, the Governor's ADC is seen in between them.

26 KILLED IN RAF PLANE CRASH

Nicosia, Apr. 17.

A Royal Air Force Valletta transport believed to be carrying 22 passengers and four or five crew crashed in flames on takeoff from Aqaba airfield, Jordan, today killing everyone on board.

The passengers were army men being evacuated from Jordan under agreement to close down British bases. They were on their way to Habzanlyanah, Iraq.

A joint RAF and Army Middle East headquarters, communication issued tonight said:

"An RAF Valletta transport aircraft of the Middle East air force carrying service passen-

gers crashed after takeoff at the RAF airfield at Aqaba this morning. The aircraft was entirely burnt out. It is regretted there were no survivors. Next of kin are being informed."

Two Going To London

London, Apr. 17. Mr Eric Louw, South African Minister for External Affairs, and the Indian Premier, Mr Nehru, have announced they will attend the Commonwealth Prime Ministers conference in London.—Reuter.

New Envoy To Bangkok

London, Apr. 17. The Queen has approved the appointment of Mr Richard Whittington as Ambassador to Bangkok, in place of Sir Berkeley Gage.—United Press.

Red Rocket Bases

Berlin, Apr. 17. The West German evening newspaper "Der Abend" said today Russia had established a chain of rocket-launching bases, stretching from the south of Czechoslovakia to the Arctic. Rockets fired from these bases could reach large areas of Western Europe and Scandinavia, it said.—France-Press.

I'm Ignorant

Washington, Apr. 17. The Secretary of State, Mr John Foster Dulles, returned from a 10-day holiday today. He declined any comment on world affairs. "I'm completely ignorant," he said as he arrived back by air.—Reuter.

SINGAPORE CONDEMN BAN ON SUBVERSIVES

Singapore, Apr. 7. Three out of the four political parties represented in the delegation which recently signed the agreement on Singapore's self-government today announced they would not accept the British ban on subversive elements from participating in the first general election.

They were the right-wing Liberal Socialist Party, the extreme left Peoples' Action Party, and the United Malays National Organisation. The Government Labour Front Party executive did not arrive at any conclusions though it is expected to follow the lead of the others.—France-Press.

MAKARIOS: 'WE SHALL FIGHT'

Athens, Apr. 17. Archbishop Makarios, leader of the union-with-Greece movement in Cyprus, told cheering crowds below his hotel window today that "we shall fight for self-determination."

As the crowds shouted "Eokan" and "self-determination," Archbishop Makarios told them: "We shall continue the struggle until self-determination rights are obtained.... We hope the British Government will show understanding to find a solution in accordance with the United Nations Charter and the just claims of the Cypriots," he added.

The Archbishop flew here from Nairobi today.—Reuter.

Tried To Cut Down Flag

United Nations, Apr. 17. A 25-year-old Budapest-born man tried to cut down the Hungarian flag flying in front of the United Nations headquarters today but was seized by security guards before the flag touched the ground.

Gloogy Loogy, who described himself as a writer for "Free Hungary," a newspaper published in New York City, was questioned by the UN authorities and released when he promised "not to do it again."—United Press.

Labour Censure Motion Rejected

London, Apr. 17. The House of Commons tonight rejected a Labour opposition proposal that Britain should postpone its forthcoming H-Bomb tests in the Pacific for a limited period.

The voting was 309 to 258—a Government majority of 51. Labour proposed postponement in a motion of censure on the Government's defence policy which it said lacked firm dependence on the ultimate deterrent—the H-Bomb.

The motion called on the Government to make effective proposals for the abolition of H-Bomb tests through international agreement.

Plans Approved

Later the Commons endorsed the Government's proposals, outlined in a recent White Paper, by 308 votes to 250—a Government majority of 58.

Rounding up the defence debate tonight, the Prime Minister Mr Harold Macmillan said it was his opinion that if the Christmas Island tests were abandoned this year, they would never be held. "We must strive for full disarmament, covering unconventional weapons and conventional weapons alike, until then we must rely on the power of nuclear deterrent or throw up the sponge," he said.

Decision Now

Without the nuclear deterrent a large-scale reduction of forces in Britain would be impossible and that threat of complete disarmament the ending of conscription must be based on the acceptance of nuclear defence.

Referring to the H-bomb, Mr Macmillan said: "Those who carry responsibility must make this decision now."

Amid Government cheers, Mr Macmillan said: "Private persons can enjoy the luxury of vaccination but those who govern or wish to govern must boldly proclaim their opinions and act in accordance with their duty."—Reuter & France-Press.

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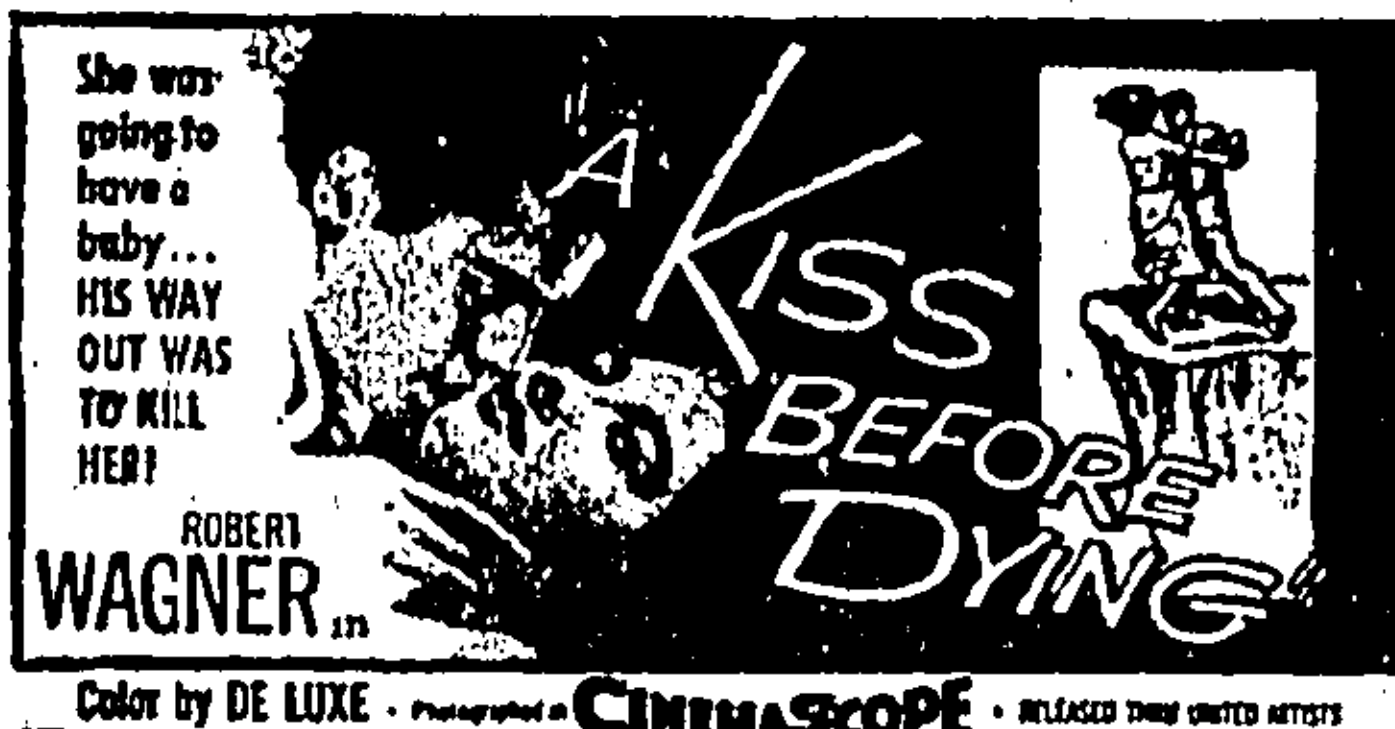
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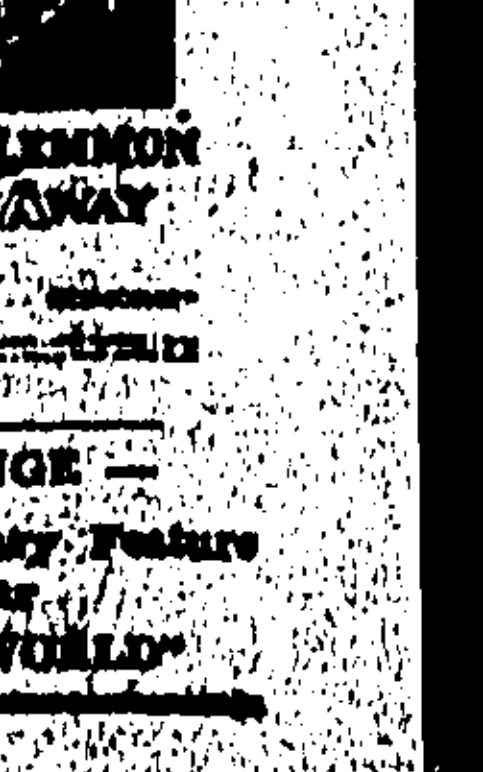
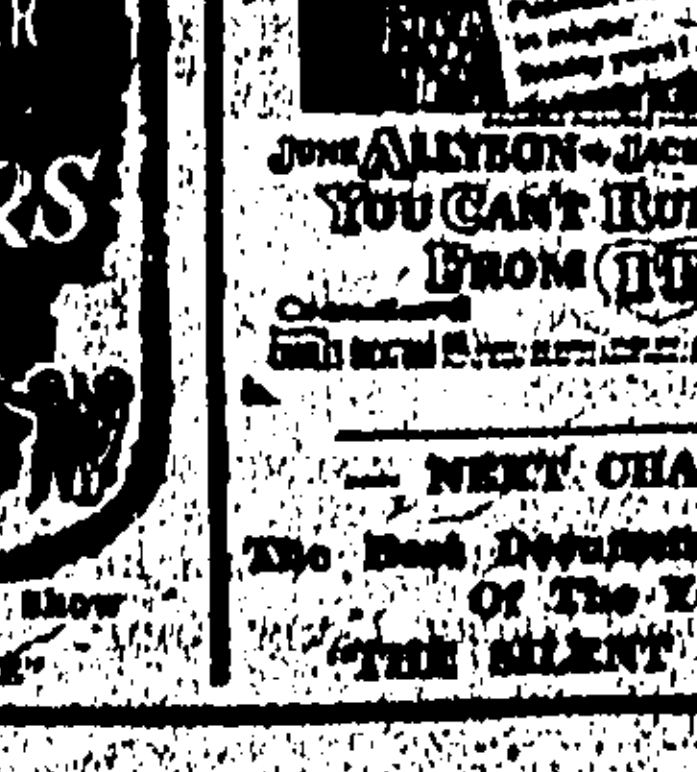
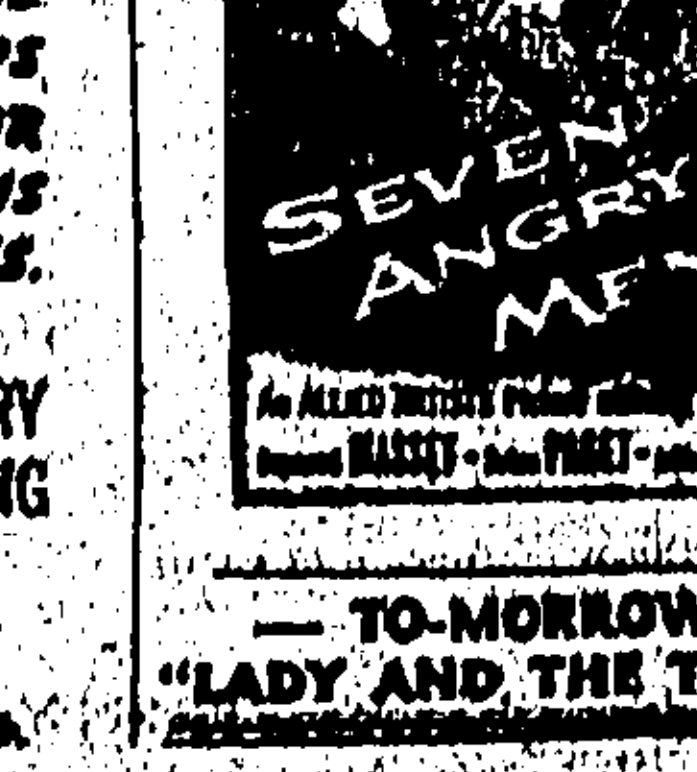
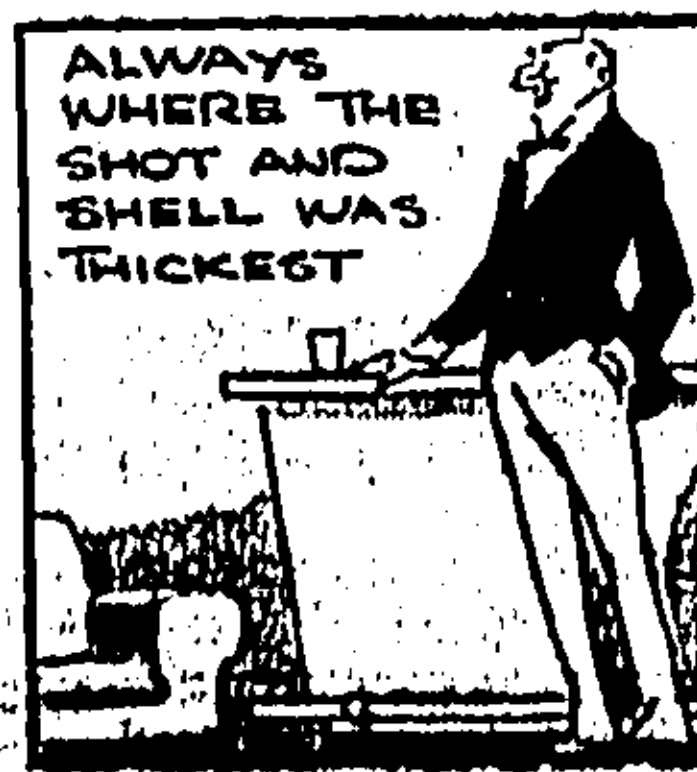
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GERMANY'S ATOMIC ARMS

THE QUEEN GOES DOWN
THE SEINE



Radiant in a gown of silver lace over silver lame, embroidered all over with diamonds and crystals, and wearing the red sash of the Legion of Honour, the Queen boards the yacht Borde-Freigny for her trip down the River Seine during the second day of her Royal State visit to Paris.—Central Press Photo.

ISRAEL'S BID FOR SUPPORT ON CANAL ISSUE

Washington, Apr. 17.

Israel made a bid today for active American support of its case for transit through the Suez Canal if the problem goes to the Security Council.

This was understood to be the substance of review of the Suez problem made orally by the Israeli Ambassador, Mr. Abba Eban, during a call on the Assistant Secretary of State, Mr. William Rountree Jr.

PURPOSE OF CALL

Mr. Eban called on Mr. Rountree at his own request and stayed for more than an hour.

Questioned by reporters, Mr. Eban spoke in guarded diplomatic phrases on the purpose of his call. He said Israel was not taking the initiative in urging that the Suez issue be taken to the United Nations, but that since there was a trend in that direction Israel was raising the issue of its own rights.

"The Suez Canal is not an Egyptian lake," said Mr. Eban. "Israel has the same right as any other nation to passage through the Canal."

Mr. Eban said other lively Middle East topics, including the situation in Jordan, were

discussed during his meeting with Mr. Rountree.

The Ambassador declined, however, to comment on President Eisenhower's news conference statement that the United States would defend Jordan against attack either by Israel or by the Communists. Mr. Eban also dodged a question as to whether Israel intended to charter another American vessel to go through the Gulf of Aqaba to the Israeli port of Eilat.

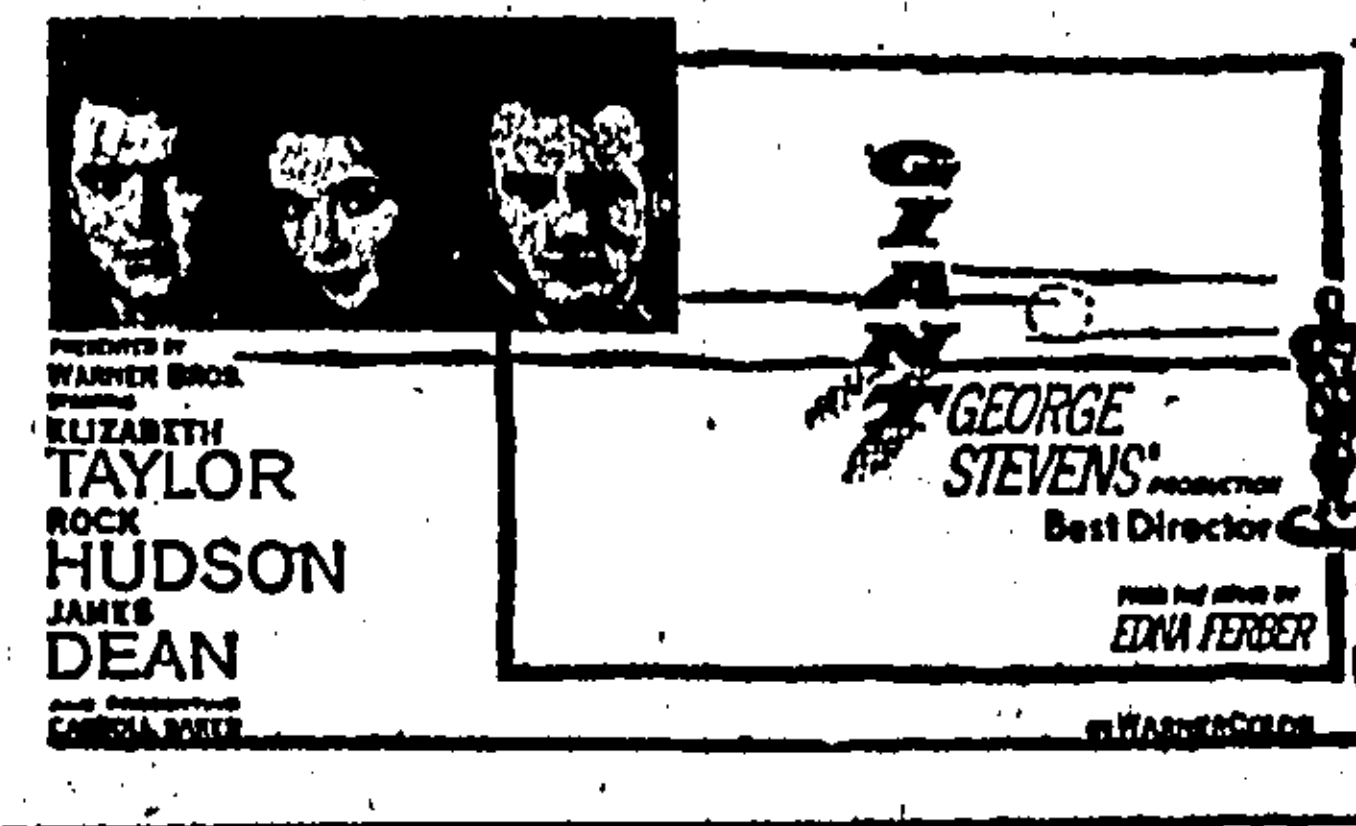
COMMERCIAL QUESTION

"We regard this as a normal commercial question," he said. "In the normal course of events there will be action in the spirit of understandings reached (with the United States)."

In this connection, Mr. Eban questioned the accuracy of recent reports that the State Department was displeased with the speed with which Israel chartered the American tanker Kern Hills to sail to Eilat as a test of the international character of the Gulf of Aqaba.—United Press.

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Bonn Says Will Not Manufacture Any In Country

Bonn, Apr. 17.

The West German Government will not manufacture atomic arms and will therefore not call upon German atomic scientists to work on atomic weapons, it was officially announced today.

A joint communique was issued after a six-hour conference between West German Chancellor Konrad Adenauer and representatives of the physicists who had publicly declared their opposition to West Germany's participation in the nuclear armaments race.

The West German Government must be smaller than that of the Hiroshima bomb. — France-Press and Reuter.

'We Hate To See You Go' Says Mr. K.

Moscow, Apr. 17.

A smiling Communist Party chief Nikita Khrushchev told American Ambassador Charles Bohlen tonight "we hate to see you go," on the eve of Bohlen's departure from Moscow after four years.

In an informal conversation at a Syrian Embassy reception, Khrushchev told Bohlen, who will fly off tomorrow in a giant Globemaster, to take up his new ambassadorial post in Manila, "we don't understand why they take you away from us and send you so far away."

Atomic Weapons

At a press conference after the meeting, the chief Government spokesman, Herr Felix von Eckardt, answered questions on the communique. He said that there was no question of the Bundeswehr getting tactical atomic weapons for 18 months or, more probably 24 months, because the United States could not deliver them earlier.

Efforts at general disarmament showed no result by then, "We shall face a situation in which we must examine the question anew within the Nato framework."

Herr Von Eckardt was asked whether there had been any mention at the conference of the argument, recently put forward by Herr Franz Josef Strauss, the Defence Minister, that Nato Organisation required West Germany to have tactical atomic weapons if all the other Nato allies also had such weapons.

Protection

In reply to further questions, Herr Von Eckardt said that a means of protection against the hydrogen bomb was not in sight. But he added that at a certain distance from ground-zero, the point above which the missile explodes, protection against tactical atomic weapons was possible.

The scientists had said in their declaration that the destruction caused by a tactical atomic missile was equal to that of the Hiroshima atomic bomb. Herr Von Eckardt stated that, at ground zero, the destructive effect would be the same, but outside a certain distance the destructive effect would be "incomparably smaller" than that at Hiroshima.

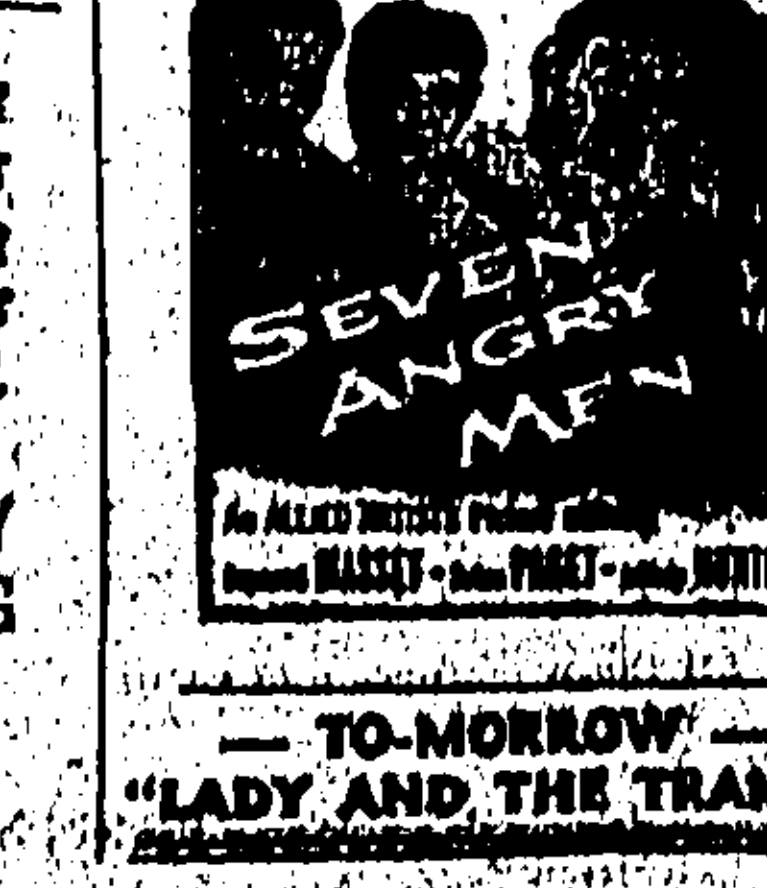
Pressed on the point, Herr Von Eckardt said he was no scientist but that he had gathered that the radioactive contamination caused by a

1715 Law Goes

Baltimore, Apr. 17.
A 242-year-old Maryland statute making it criminal for a white woman to bear a child fathered by a negro was ruled unconstitutional yesterday. — United Press.

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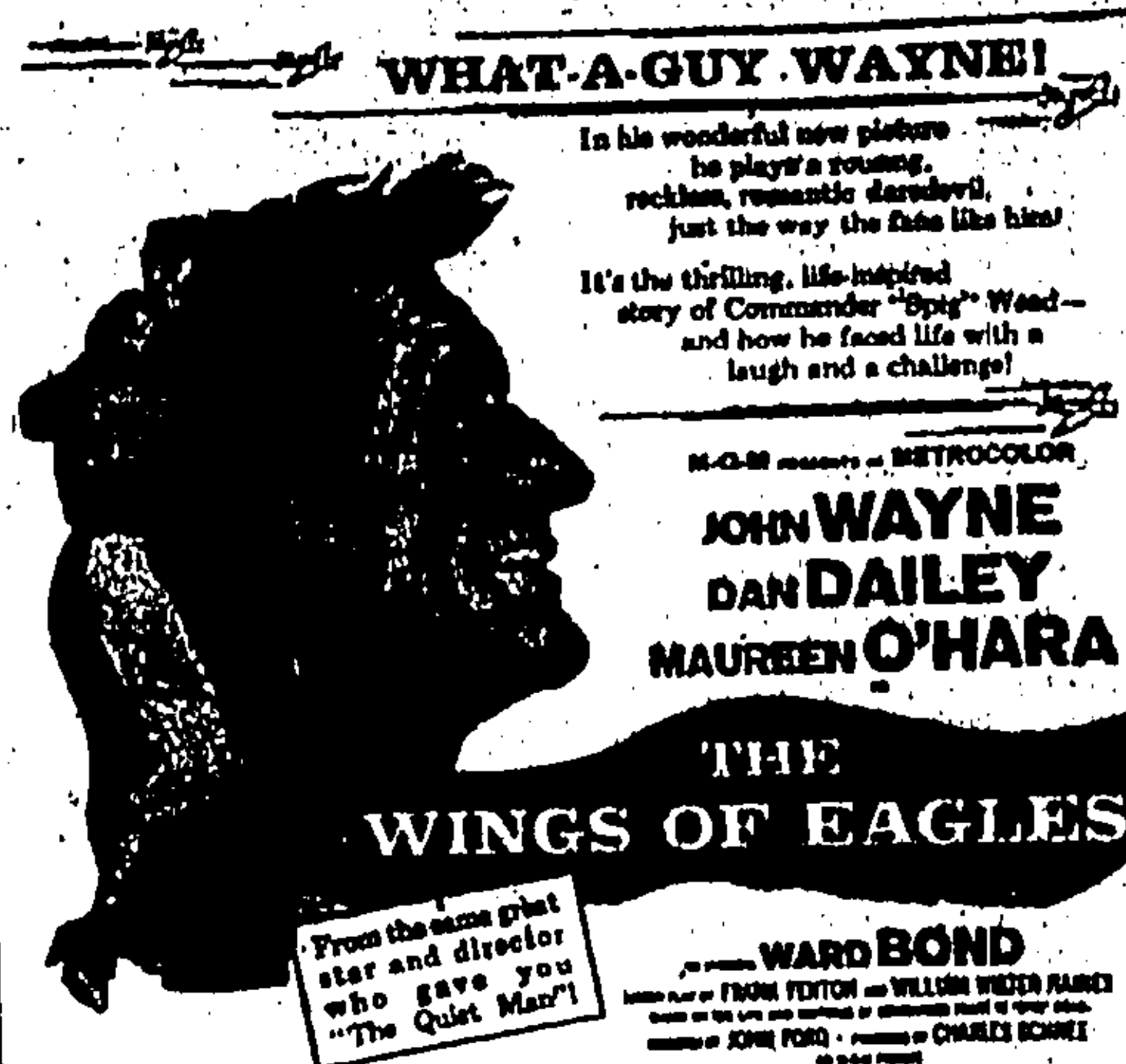


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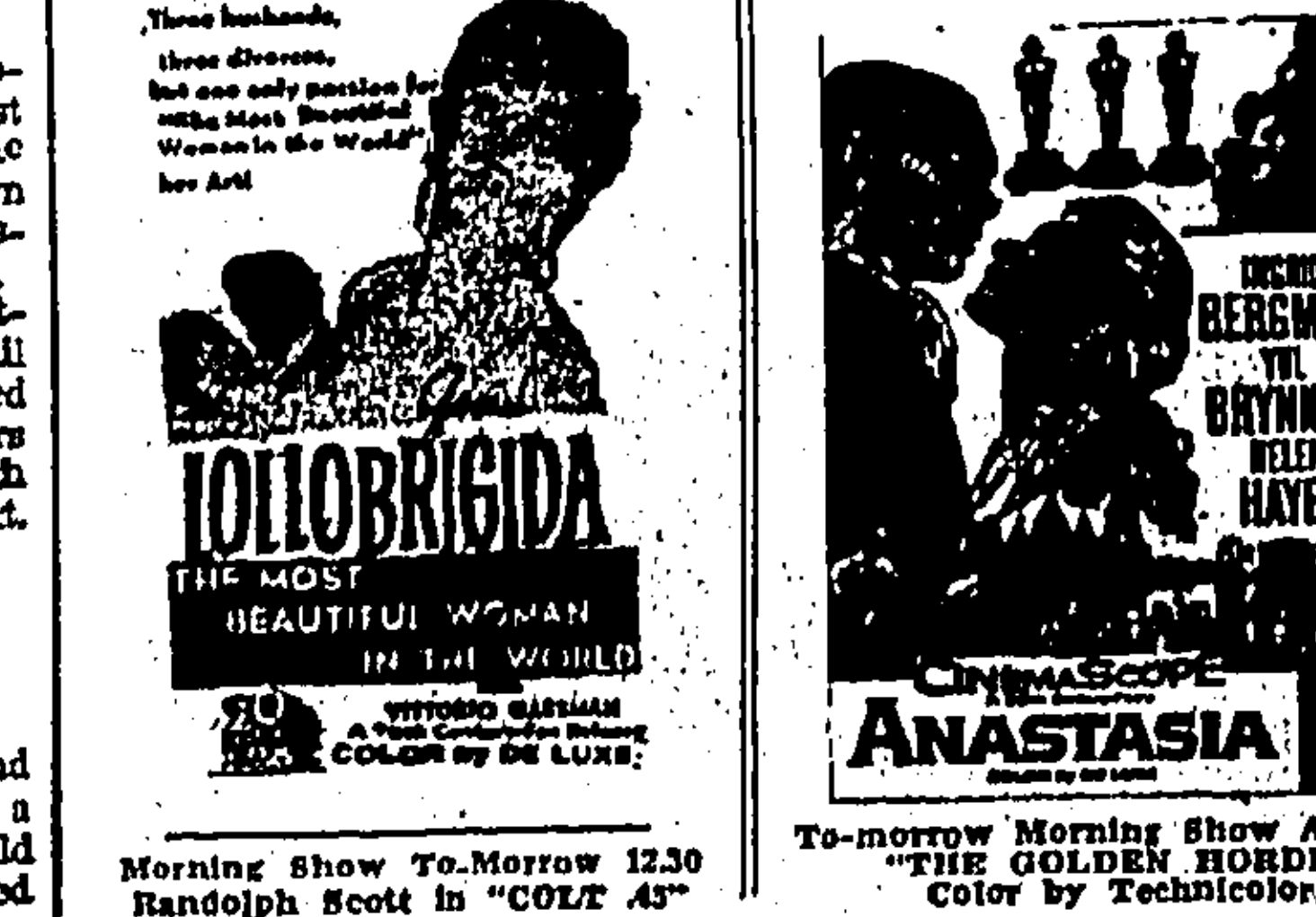
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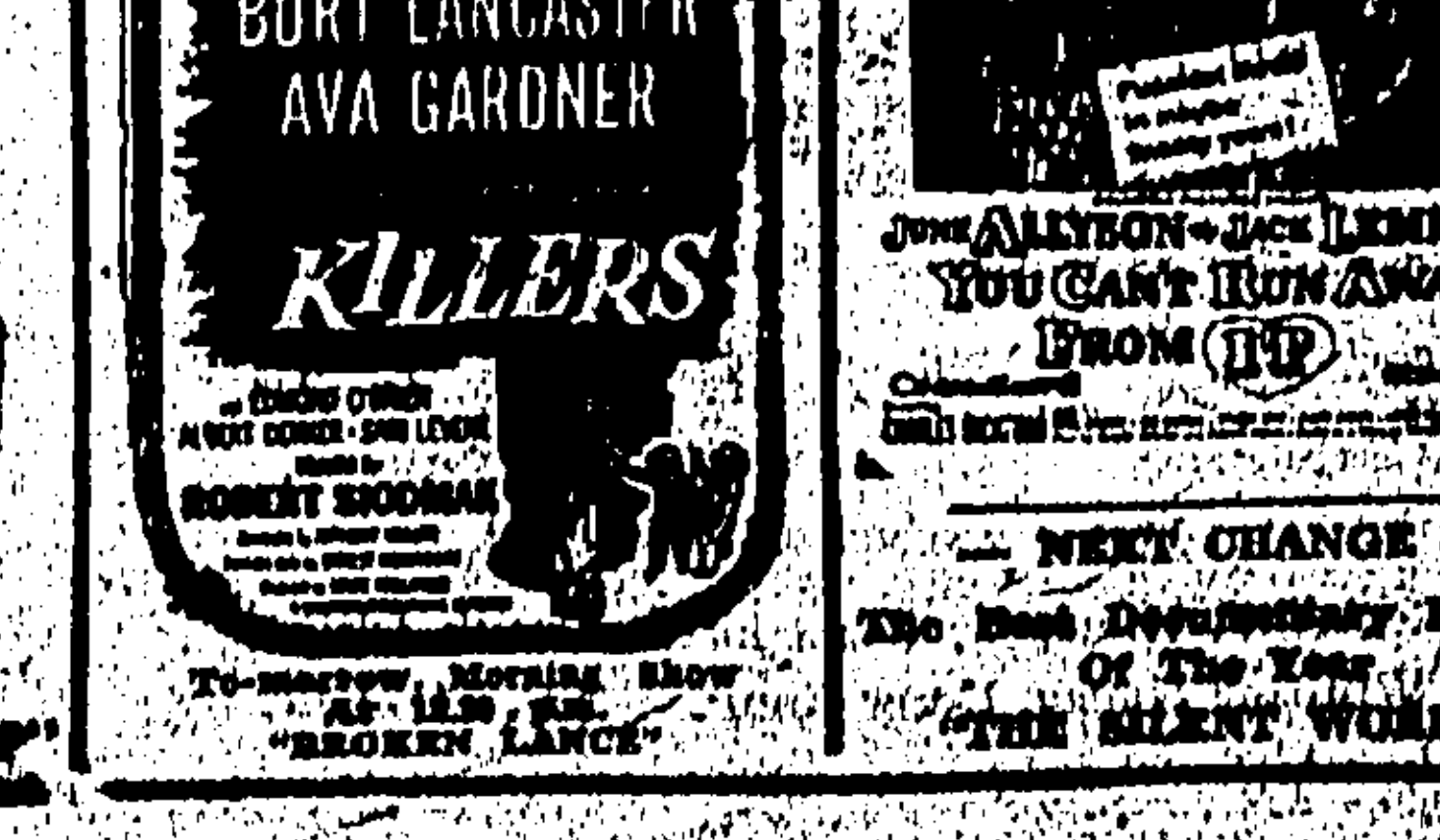
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BRITAIN'S PARTNERSHIP WITH US

'Guide The People' Call

Surakarta, Apr. 17. President Sukarno said today in Surakarta Indonesia's new emergency cabinet should "guide the people."

Earlier he had referred to the traditional theory of guiding masses prevalent in Russia. He said there were two kinds of thought in the Soviet Union "spontaneous" theory and "traditional" theory.

The differences between them was that with traditional theory the people had to be organised to be guided and had to be "taught from above."

BEST RESULTS

"In the Soviet Union it now appears that by guiding the people they have achieved the best results and work has been achieved in a much better way because the inspiration of conscious feeling by leaders of the masses in a controlled way has made a great contribution to the State."

"In a fluid condition as you see in Indonesia now, it is necessary that a new working cabinet should guide the people, should channel the ideas of the people and should direct the people to achieve their needs and their desires."

The President said, "For the time being we cannot escape from this and it is just an irrelevant thing the way some people reject or accept the 'Presidential conception'."

MASS OF PEOPLE

(The President's conception which he proclaimed last month was for a coalition cabinet of all parties and a national advisory council to advise the cabinet).

The President, who was speaking to members of the armed forces and officials, referred to the concentration of activities of a mass of people in Russia and Egypt as an example for Indonesia.

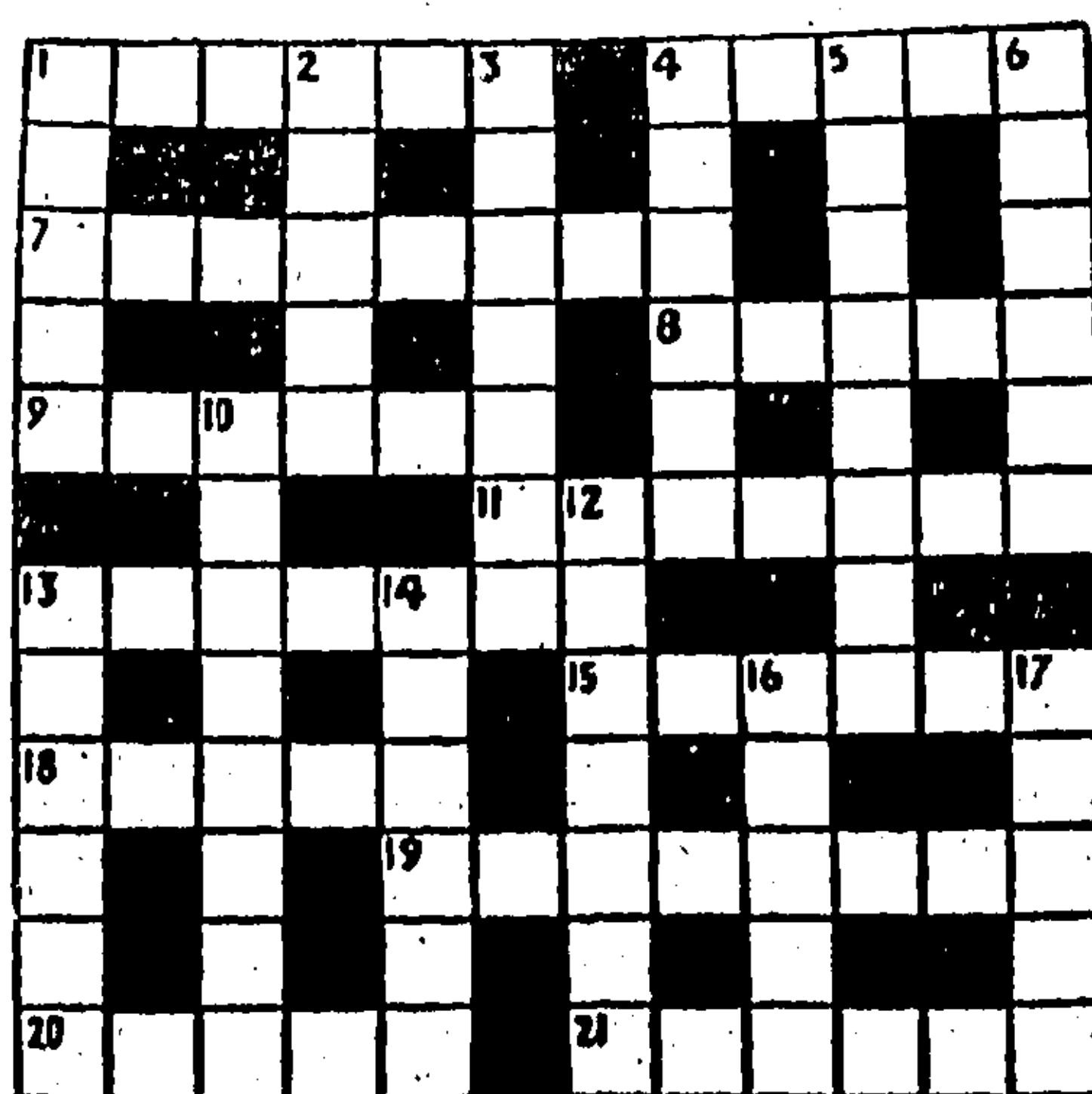
He also said he would like to see, besides his National Council, a national planning board to undertake overall planning activities.

Dr Sukarno said Djakarta was only a temporary capital which might be moved to another place less densely populated—for instance Borneo.—Reuter.

EDEN PROGRESSING

Boston, Apr. 17. Former British Prime Minister, Sir Anthony Eden, spent a comfortable night and his condition was good this morning, a health bulletin stated today. The bulletin was issued at the clinic where Eden underwent an operation on Saturday last.—France-Press.

A British Crossword Puzzle



ACROSS

- 1 Calm (6).
- 2 Suitable craft for a bumping race? (5).
- 3 Fame (8).
- 4 Solitary (5).
- 5 Wrote one's name (6).
- 11 Values highly (7).
- 13 Liberate (7).
- 14 Sheen (6).
- 15 Enterlain (6).
- 16 Surpassed (6).
- 17 Fire-rising (6).
- 20 Extends (6).

DOWN

- 1 Urge (6).
- 2 Churchman as a rule (5).
- 3 Stipe (7).
- 4 Oppose manfully (6).
- 5 Smelling strongly (6).
- 6 Superstition (6).
- 10 Old ship (8).
- 12 Chooses (7).
- 13 Part of the eye (6).
- 14 Behind (6).
- 15 Perpendicular (5).
- 17 Finished (6).

WEDNESDAY'S CROSSWORD—Across: 1 Cold, 4 Deplete, 8 Real, 9 Pals, 10 Turtars, 11 Abet, 12 Road, 14 Receded, 17 Erase, 18 Acid, 22 Deceits, 26 Road, 27 Otto, 28 Prepare, 29 Upon, 30 Epic, 31 Artless, 32 Host, 33 Down, 2 Omelet, 3 Dream, 4 Deter, 5 Elated, 6 Little, 7 Tense, 12 Hunt, 13 Oats, 15 Dine, 16 Duce, 18 Store, 20 Crouch, 21 Idiots, 22 Error, 24 Expat, 25 Supp.

Oh To Be In England Now That April's Here



The month of April in England is very well known for its blustery showers, but 1957 has brought a difference as can be seen in this picture taken during the lunch break, last week. Some sit, some lie on the grass and others stroll in London's famous St James's Park but all enjoy the warm spell and wonder how long will it last?

LAST ACT OF NABULSI EISENHOWER PUTS NEW LIFE INTO AGREEMENT

By JOHN HEFFERNAN

Washington, Apr. 17.

President Eisenhower seemed to put new life today into the 1950 Tripartite Agreement between the United States, Britain, and France guaranteeing the present frontiers between Israel and her Arab neighbours.

He did so in answering a question at his press conference about possible United States assistance to Jordan in the event that that country was attacked.

The President explained that there were two United States pronouncements affecting that area—the May, 1950, declaration of the three major Western allies and the recent Eisenhower Middle East Doctrine.

He said that the first could apply to "one type of case," while the Eisenhower Doctrine authorised the United States "to go to the aid of any nation which is attacked by Communist aggression, and where it requests our aid."

Indirectly, though clearly, the President had in mind a possible Israeli invasion of Jordan in dealing with the first "type of case."

Secondly, he seemed to make it plain that the United States was pledged to action under the Eisenhower Doctrine to help, when requested, to repel "Communist" aggression—not just any aggression.

United States officials, in the past day or two, have been trying to make the same point in refuting the theory that a Syrian attack on Jordan would pose the first test of the Eisenhower Doctrine.

Exactly what the United States would do in the face of a Syrian move into Jordan was not made clear in the President's comments today.

Under the 1950 declaration, the three Western powers sought to bolster the armistice agreements between Israel and her neighbours by saying that should they find any of the state concerned was preparing to violate frontiers or armistice lines, they would, consistent with their obligations as members of the United Nations, "immediately take action, both within and outside the United Nations, to prevent such violation."

But, ever since the split between the allies over the Anglo-French intervention in Egypt last October, most observers in Washington have considered the 1950 declaration a dead letter despite official assurances that it was still in effect.

The impression had been created by political commentators and columnists that British and French influence in the Middle East had been so reduced by last year's events that the United States felt that it alone was capable of trying to keep order in the region should there be an outbreak of fighting.

That, apparently, does not prevent the thinking of President Eisenhower judging from his answer today, the United States would, immediately consult with Britain and France about possible military action should Israel invade Jordan's borders.—China Mail Special.

The new newspaper said the Tunku described the news agency report as "complete fabrication." The Straits Times on Monday published the report by the Pakistan Press Association which quoted sources in Karachi that Britain did not want Malaysia to come under American influence and wished to keep alive a neutral bloc to maintain her international prestige.

The Straits Times today published a message from Kuala Lumpur quoting the Tunku as having said the subject of Malaysia joining Banto had never been discussed, either officially or unofficially with any British official in Kuala Lumpur or in Britain.—Reuter.

CHIEFS-OF-STAFF NOT ATTENDING NUCLEAR TESTS

London, Apr. 17. British Minister of Defence, Duncan Sandys today told Marcus Lipton, Labour member of Parliament, that none of the service chiefs-of-staff would be attending the forthcoming Christmas Island tests of nuclear bombs.

Sandys said: "I really think the chiefs-of-staff have more pressing duties elsewhere. They would learn absolutely nothing by seeing a big bang. What they want to know is the results, and the results will be assessed by scientists and scientific instruments, and that information will be available to the chiefs-of-staff and the government."—France-Press.

BRITISH TO EXPLOIT INDIAN OIL

New Delhi, Apr. 17.

The Indian Government tonight announced a "general agreement" with the British owned Assam Oil Company to exploit the Assam oilfields.

No details were given but the announcement said the agreement would now be referred to the Indian Cabinet and to the Board of Directors of the Assam Oil Company which owns the Assam Oil Company.

Negotiations have been going on for several months on the formation of a 500 million rupee (about £28,000,000) company to exploit the Assam Oil Company's rich oil strike at Mahoratalya in Assam which is expected to produce 2,500,000 tons annually.

The Indian Government, under an agreement reached some time back, will hold one-third of the shares but will have control through veto powers on the Board.

Last month India's Minister for Natural Resources Mr K. D. Malaviya accused the company of having suggested "a substantial deviation from the original proposals" and called for a finalisation of the agreement by the end of April.

Indian newspapers have reported difficulties over questions of finance, over the construction of a pipeline to carry oil to Calcutta and over the powers to be held by an Indian director.—Reuter.

Agreement On Missiles Termed 'Humiliating'

London, Apr. 17. Mr Geoffrey De Freitas, one of the Labour spokesmen in a House of Commons debate on defence, said today the world with all its doubts and worries needed "a breathing space" from hydrogen bomb explosions.

Calling on the government to postpone the forthcoming British tests in the Pacific he said: "We all know that if we go down in a thermonuclear flash the ashes of a Tory will be just as radioactive as the ashes of a Socialist."

He urged the Government to make "a great effort" to reach international agreement now.

Mr Harold Macmillan, the Prime Minister, is replying to the debate, after which a vote will be taken.

Mr De Freitas complained that the government's defence proposals did not give encouragement to the possibility of nuclear defence.

He thought a revision of the United States law on the passing of atomic information to Britain was needed.

Britain had a very great contribution to make in research if she worked closely with the United States.

Resources

"The Americans, with their vast resources, are likely to lead us in development and production," he said.

"But we shall probably lead them in sheer inventiveness, especially if they, like the Russians, tend over the years to value conformity with the existing suppression of unusual and unpopular ideas."

"I think we shall have a very important role to play in this partnership."

Mr De Freitas said it was humiliating for Britain to have to set up and maintain with her skilled manpower the American guided missiles while the Americans controlled the warheads.

"The Americans make no secret of using local manpower as far as possible while keeping vital control in their own hands," he said.

"We are fitting into the pattern of oriental outposts in Korea and Formosa."

Conditions

If the guided missiles were handed to Britain on the following two conditions it would make "all the difference."

★ 1. If it could be said that though the warhead was stored under American control it could in fact be stored on the end of the missile.

★ 2. British and not American forces, fed the data into the computers so that it was the British forces which kept the records.

Mr John Macleod, Minister of Labour and National Service, said he believed the opposition could not urge abolition of conscription unless it relied on the protection of a foreign but friendly country or took the decision to make the bomb and test it.

"This is an awful decision to take but not a difficult one because the issue is clear-cut," he said.

Mr Emanuel Shinwell, a former Labour Defence Minister, said the Labour Party had accepted the need for producing the hydrogen bomb and testing it.

The party's conference had not complained about the need for testing it once it was agreed to make it.

Survival

Mr Shinwell said the opposition believed the British tests should be postponed to find out what was in the minds of the United States and Russia.

He said he might be accused of cowardice but he could imagine a situation where, in a conventional war, it might be more endurable to suffer defeat, even humiliation, if it meant survival on a limited scale, than to take the risk of using the nuclear weapon and be completely destroyed.

Referring to Anglo-American relations, Mr Shinwell said: "I understand we are allies with the United States. We are partners, and I venture the opinion that partnership means effective co-operation."

"I cannot understand why the United States authorities boggle at our demand that we should have 'the know-how' of the manufacture of nuclear weapons."

"Why should they conceal information from a partner, more particularly a new, who we like it or not it is its ally?"

Mr De Freitas said it was a "breathing space" from hydrogen bomb explosions that the world needed. He said the world was "a very different place" from what it was in 1945. He said the world was "a very different place" from what it was in 1945. He said the world was "a very different place" from what it was in 1945.

ACCIDENT STAGED BUT NO ONE STOPS

Paris, Apr. 17. The Biblos, a car of the Good Samaritans was tested today on a highway near Paris, but 31 cars went by the scene on an apparent accident for 42 minutes without halting to lend a hand.

The experiment was conducted by reporters from the "Paris-Press", a local evening newspaper, on the same national highway where novelist Francois Sagan suffered an accident.

Mrs Sagan had been pinned under her car for 40 minutes until friends were able to stop cars to ask for help in lifting her free.

In the experiment disclosed in the newspaper today, gendarmes helped the reporters to stage a simulated accident, with a cyclist lying near his overturned cycle and a girl beside a car which had crashed into a pole by the side of the road.

It was 42 minutes before a Good Samaritan stopped—M. Renaud, a scrap iron dealer with a lot of cars at his disposal. Only one other person took any notice—a motorist who drove on to notify the gendarmes at the next crossroad but he did not stop to help—France-Press.

Mr Richard Crossman, Labour, said Britain should renounce all nuclear weapons.

Atomic weapons were not used in Vietnam or Suez because the West was not prepared to take the risk, he said. This made him doubt whether it was wise to scrap conventional forces and rely on the deterrent.

There was a danger of starting World War Three in some local disturbance in Germany if British forces in Nato were equipped with atomic weapons to make up for Russian strength.

Either that or the forces would be left defenceless to deal with some small disturbance "by some satellite government on the other side."

Also, if the Government's policy of relying on nuclear weapons was carried out it would be incapable of waging any large-scale colonial war again.

Disarmament

"Once hydrogen bombs began to be produced by Germany, France, Sweden and perhaps other European countries, and once Colonel Russia, what hope was there of world disarmament?" he asked.

"By this White Paper policy we are leading the gendarmes down the slope because it is our decision which makes everyone else feel they must do the same," he said.

Mr Hugh Fraser, a Conservative, urged the Government to raise in Africa something similar to the Gurkha Battalions, with British Officers.

He said the Government had "quite properly" said the control of local units, such as the army in Kenya and Uganda and West Africa, should be under the control of local governments as they came fully into control of their own affairs.

It seemed there would now be a great many surplus British Officers and Warrant Officers. He suggested the Government should consider raising in Africa something similar to the Gurkha Battalions, who had come from Nepal and had been very loyal.

Example

Mr George Thomas (Labour) said there was already enough dust in the upper atmosphere for 30 million people to be born sterile, idiots, or with cancer in their bones as a result of experiments.

"What cowardice this is that in the name of defence we are willing to risk the well-being of unborn generations. Let this little country give an example to the world," he said.

Mr John Strachey, a former Labour War Secretary, who wound up the debate for the Opposition, claimed that the Minister of Defence, Mr Duncan Sandys, had confused responsible opinion on the issue of atomic tactical weapons.

No one could possibly think that a war in which tactical atomic weapons were used would possibly stop there. Mr Strachey said it would inevitably involve the use of the ultimate weapons of destruction.

Fair play rules for atomic warfare could not be devised. He felt the real role of the nuclear weapon in Europe was the conventional.

The Government's emphasis on the nuclear deterrent seemed to underestimate the "real and vitally important role of the conventional forces"—Reuter.

Praise

In his speech, Mr Kwatly said: "Our relations with the Soviet Union, which asks nothing from us either in the political or the military field, are purely friendly and disinterested."

Mr Kwatly said Syria had praised the United States for its attitude at the time of the tripartite aggression against Egypt.

But we regret to note that instead of continuing to understand the Arab cause in its struggle against imperialism, the United States is now encouraging imperialism and Israeli designs," he said.

The Arab states must close their ranks, "on the basis of positive neutrality," Mr Kwatly declared.—France-Press.

Nine Feared Dead

New Orleans, Apr. 17. Nine men were swept into the Gulf of Mexico and presumably drowned today when a storm overturned an oil drilling platform near the Mississippi estuary. Another six were saved.—France-Press.

Washington, Apr. 17. The Secretary of the Navy, Mr Thomas Gates Jr, said today that he would be willing to give up a number of proposed new ships in order to get enough money to build a nuclear-powered aircraft carrier.

Mr Gates was asked, at his first news conference since becoming Secretary on April 1, if the Navy would be willing to give up "number of ships" to get the nuclear carrier.

"Yes," he replied emphatically. He said the controversial, 85,000-ton super-warship had No 1 priority in the Navy. It is expected to cost \$310 million and is included in the Navy's budget now pending in Congress.

Mr Gates said he did not expect atomic-powered submarines with guided missiles to supplant aircraft carriers as far ahead as he could see. They would "complement each other for quite a long while," he said.

Part Ten of our serial 'No Flowers By Request'



The Dregs of Death

By Christianna Brand

The Characters in the Case

CENTRAL figure in the drama is widowed Mrs MERTON, gentlewoman cook-housekeeper to the Carringtons. They are commercial artist MARCUS CARRINGTON and his invalid wife, who dies of poisoning. TRENT CARRINGTON, a war-wounded nephew, and Mrs PHILIPPA DEANE, a niece of the nery type, Mrs Carrington was looked after by NURSE CUTLER and visited by DR GRAYLING, an interesting outsider. Mondo JOY BARNESLOW, comes to help in the garden, and another is Mrs HUTCHINSON, the daily help. Sennacherib, the cat, completes the household.

"Carrington wants you to stay on."

"But how can I accept? He'll be more hard up than ever now that her little income's gone—it was a pension of some sort. How could he keep me here, useless creature that I am?"

"He kept you here before."

"No," said Philippa. "Aunt Eleanor kept us here—both Trent and me. Poor Aunt Eleanor—we couldn't love her, we didn't love her; and yet in her own odd way, I suppose, she loved us. And now she's gone—and my poor little last hope of peace has gone with her."

One more person off the list of those who could have wished Mrs Carrington dead: two, indeed, for with her death her husband lost, it appeared, the use of such small income as she had had.

I WAS FREE

"My dear—you've been listening to the Everdon gossips. I like solid gold as much as the next man—but not eleven shone at a time."

"I could do with a stone or two of it, now that Aunt Eleanor is dead," said Philippa, ruefully.

Not that it mattered to me at that moment, not that I thought or cared about the morass of wrong judgment and misunderstanding into which my careful notes and calculations had led me—held there in the dark alcove corner, faint with the effort to struggle away from those throttling hands, to

LADY EDEN SAYS: We Don't Talk Of Suez Any More

For Joneses, read Russians.

The atom scientist will never be completely happy. He says: "You have no idea how repugnant this is—to go over my life, it is impossible to be completely candid. It's an art and it takes technique, and you have to learn it."

"If you have lived a life that isn't free and open with people, it's almost impossible to un-

His brother Robert—there were nine Kennedy kids, of whom seven survive—looks like Jack, and in the past few weeks he has become almost as famous.

Acting as chief counsel for the Senate Committee Inquiring into union corruption, he shot holes into the Labour leaders' evidence and had Dave Beck sweating and squirming.

He is only 31, and there has not been such a bright young lawyer on the American scene since the days of Thomas E. Dewey.

Father Kennedy, who began with nothing, amassed a million dollars, then nine million, and now perhaps has 90, says:

"I've had my day and I did what I could in my kind of world. Now it's theirs and their world."

So wrong

JOE KENNEDY was particularly attacked in Britain, and no wonder. He seemed to think the British couldn't win the war.

He was proved wrong. I think several Bostonians will be proved wrong about Britain again.

Since I've been here the headlines have read: "Britain done for, says Senator." "There'll always be an England, perhaps."

There have been cartoons showing an aging, sick Uncle Sam: "You'll have to take care of me, Joe. I'm too weak to defend myself." And Uncle Sam saying: "And you're the guy that lived through Dunkirk."

Earliest doctors at my hotel have said: "It looks bad for England, doesn't it?"

No one here seems to realize that we have moved with the times, that this is the atomic age, that battleships and mass armies are obsolete.

But I shouldn't say so. One of Oppenheimer's best known

blurt out through the steel fingers that covered my mouth even some meaningless sound that might bring them, inquiring, into the darkened room.

And then, quite suddenly, she relaxed her hold. The voices ceased and in the silence her hands fell away from me and I found myself unbelievably free.

I forced my exhausted limbs to action and half hurried myself across the room to the french window. But they had gone. I heard the sound of the battered old car in the drive and Mr Carrington's voice calling out to them, and saw them turn the corner and go to meet her.

YOU DID IT!

And as I fumbled desperately with the latch she was upon me again. I shook her off and stumbled over to the door; but she was there before me, leaning back against it, panting, with outstretched arms. "Where are you going? What are you trying to do?"

"She's mad," I thought. Her face was terrible, white and drenched with sweat, the sagged against the door as though all strength was ebbing out of her; and suddenly screamed out at me. "It was you!"

"It was I? What do you mean?"

"It was you," she sagged against the door, her red head lolled back dreadfully against the white panelling. "You poisoned her!" She began to gasp, choking out her words, clawing at her throat. "The tea... It was in the tea..."

I stood helplessly, staring back at her. I had forgotten all thought of making my escape. "If there was poison you put it there?"

"I just brought you—brought you a cup of tea... Just wanted to—chat... I stood there, staring at her, staring at the two cups on the desk, the pink cup and the blue. I had changed the cups, I had switched my innocent cup for the one she had brought me; but I had not touched her cup, there was only one blue cup."

She had made that cup of tea, herself, she had told me so, she had brought it down for herself and had sat drinking it; there could have been no mistake, it was true that I always chose a pink cup, and she had brought a pink cup for me.

ALL CLAMMY

If there had been poison in the tea—Nurse Cutler had not known of it.

And yet... "You—came after me."

I think the thing came in waves. Now it passed and she

made a big effort, she pulled herself together, standing there braced against the panelled door. "I suddenly felt ill. I thought you looked ill, too. I just—put my hand to your head to see if it felt like mine, all clammy; and my throat was choking me."

She put her hand to her brow and suddenly I recalled that odd gesture she had made two or three times, the shaking off of the waves of nausea.

"You got hysterical. I was only trying to—help you..." She began to gasp again, clutching at her throat.

"But you held me down; you put your hand over my mouth..." I wanted to hear what they said.

Did I fancy an echo of that leer with which she had asked me what I had seen going on in the petting shed? "I think I—passed out. I fell forward on top of you. When I came to—they were there. She was after him—I thought she was—in love with him..."

She reeled and gasped, horribly retching. I came to my wits.

"Anyway, you're ill. I must get help. Oh, yes—thank God, Dr Grayling's here, I'll get him."

I went over to the alcove corner and struggled to move the heavy armchair over towards her. "You must sit down, I'll go and get help..." But she swayed and tottered and suddenly pitched forward, toppling, slowly and heavily, to the floor. At that moment a figure appeared at the window. He must have glanced in and seen her, for a hand in a driving glove thrust itself through the glass, shattering it to splinters, and felt for the catch; and a voice cried, horror-stricken: "My God—Estelle!"

Estelle! Who in this house called the nurse by her Christian name—Estelle?

BURST IN

I dodged back into the darkness behind the armchair, but he had no eyes for me, he burst his way in and flung himself on his knees beside her. "What's happened, Estelle?"

She rolled over, dreadfully heaving, so that her wet, white face stared up into his. "The tea..."

"The tea? My God—you've been using her tea!" Her tea.

Her special tea—Mrs Carrington's special tea, kept jealously apart in the Georgian walnut caddy on her window sill.

I remembered how Sennacherib, the black and white cat, would lie there with his chin on the caddy, asleep in the sun. I remembered how she had said "Poor Sennacherib—I disturbed him."

Nurse Cutler had disturbed Sennacherib, going to Mrs Carrington's Georgian caddy to make herself a cup of the special tea.

She had not known that the tea was poisoned tea.

But he had known.

SATURDAY: The story concludes with a tremendous impact as the full mystery of the old rectory is revealed.

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MURDER comes to the old rectory soon after Mrs Merton has taken a job as cook-housekeeper to the Carringtons. Almost everybody is suspect. Nurse Cutler, who looked after Mrs Carrington, the murdered woman, flandishly attacks widow Merton, after drinking tea with her. NOW READ ON.

WHEN I came to, there were voices outside the window. The nurse had me pinned into the corner still, her arm across my throat, her hand over my mouth. "Sh'h—I want to hear what they say!"

She was muttering to herself—she had not heard the car; they must have come by the short cut. This was the hedged-in path that led through from the muddy lane—Dr Grayling used the lane on his route home, and he must have picked up Philippa there, laden with the shopping she had been doing for me.

His first audible words confirmed as much. "I'll take it round to the kitchen." "No, no," I prayed to myself. "Not that—not to the faraway kitchen entrance, leaving me here alone again, with her."

I tried to struggle, to cry out, but I was helpless in the grip of a much younger woman, used all her life to lifting, to carrying, to holding, perhaps to holding down. I could only struggle in her grasp and pray.

"Let them come to the window. Let them look in and see me here."

And he did look in; but he could have seen nothing in that corner of the darkened room, for he said, reassuringly, "There's no one in. So sit down, Philippa, here in the sun, and let me talk to you."

"Tom, please."

"All right, all right, not as you and me, as doctor and patient if you like; it's for your health's sake, for your nerves."

I'M GOING

"Don't try to persuade me again; I've decided to go."

"But Philippa, why? Why go out into the world and face it all again? You were safe here, and you had Trent!"

"Ah—Trent," she said. "My dear old Trent, my friend and comforter." He understands—we're two of a pair, Trent and I, normal people not treated as normal people; disfigured people,

SOLID GOLD

"My dear," he insisted, "it was suicide. And yet, Tom—I drove him to it. I shall never feel sure that people aren't right—that I was, in a way, his murderer."

"And with this on your mind, you want to leave this one little haven of peace and security; and your dear Trent?"

"It'll be better," she said wearily. "Joy isn't happy with me here, she's jealous, she doesn't understand, she makes things difficult for all three of us."

"Don't you think the marriage will work?"

"Oh, yes," she said. "I think it's wonderful, just the thing for him. I only say that a three-some won't work. It's my fault, being what I am; there's nothing wrong with Joy—she's gold throughout, bless her heart for his sake—solid gold."

"Solid's the word," he said. "She gave a little laugh. 'You didn't always think so, Lothario.'"



BOSTON has become the news centre of America, at least for a few days. Sir Anthony Eden lies in hospital here.

The father of the atom bomb, Dr Robert Oppenheimer, once banished, has just begun an important series of lectures at nearby Harvard University, despite a banishment wall of protest from the Old Guard.

Gathered in the city in one of the biggest medical conventions ever held are 7,000 doctors from all over the world.

And Boston and the entire New England area are throbbing with controversy over Britain's revolutionary defence plans.

Is Anthony Eden living on borrowed time? ask the doctors. The case of the former Prime Minister is on the minds of the 7,000.

Meanwhile Lady Eden goes for lonely walks in the park, past the stained-glass bay-windows, and calls twice daily at the hospital. She has withstood her long ordeal well.

The Suez Canal flowed through our drawing-room for months, but now we rarely discuss it, she says.

It is possible that he might attend some of the Oppenheimer lectures.

Oppenheimer

THESE are no ordinary talks by a distinguished scientist. When Oppenheimer was asked to give the renowned Henry James series of lectures in philosophy, a great honour was being bestowed upon him.

Oppenheimer, in effect, was being forgiven for his past shortcomings—his connections with Communists in the 30's, his unconvictional political

views, his scorn for the politicians.

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snarl it, to unravel the ball of twine."

No such worries plague the Kennedy brothers, Boston's most famous citizens.

Senator John (Jack to practically everyone) Kennedy, young-looking at 40, is the hero of New England, and the Whitest Hope in the Democratic Party.

Son of the multi-millionaire Joseph P. Kennedy, one-time Ambassador to the Court of St James's, Jack Kennedy has everything—brains, looks, money, energy, a beautiful wife, a nation-wide following, and surging ambition.

He was a success as a Congressman, is an even greater success as a Senator.

His book Profiles in Courage is a best-seller and he is tipped as a likely Presidential candidate in the next election.

Bostonians say: "Nothing can halt Jack Kennedy."

Kennedy has the touch, particularly with the women voters. The tumbled hair, the easy grin, the warm handshake, the gift of the right words always at the right time, are carrying him to great heights.

Also, he can be modest. "President, me? Don't bother your head about that. I'm occupied with trying to make the Democratic Party stronger and stronger."

EASTER RACE MEETING

Saturday's Chances At The Valley

By "RAPIER"

The Easter Race Meeting of the Hongkong Jockey Club will start on Saturday at the Valley and will be concluded on Monday. The first saddling bell will be rung at 11.30 a.m. both days, the first race starting at mid-day. The fifth race will be taken after the fourth race (1.30 p.m.). The Fifth Race begins at 3.00 p.m.

The programme on each day will consist of 12 events. On Monday the most important event is the Sassoon Challenge Cup. The Cup was presented by Sir Victor Sassoon, Bart., GBE, in memory of the late Mr E. D. Sassoon and is held for one year by the owner of the winner who also receives a miniature of the Cup.

The holder of this Cup is Mr C. Lee whose pony, Night People, carrying 159 lbs. and ridden by the Champion Jockey, Kenny Kwok, won in the record time of 1.40.3/5 seconds last year.

Here are my estimates of the chances:

FIRST RACE

(Devon Handicap (First Section):—Six Furlongs.)
The programme opens with an event confined to Class 5 ponies to be ridden by novice jockeys. A dispute of superiority will be settled between Yin Chi (K. C. Chan) and Beloved (Sam Chow).

Judging from its training gallop on April 2 when it completed the six furlongs in 1.24.3/5—last quarter 28.1 seconds—Yin Chi is my choice and I think it should win with Beloved as the main opposition. I would, however, recommend a little attention to Crackerjack (M. A. C. Rosa) as the distance is more to its liking and it can move fairly fast.

SECOND RACE

(Surrey Stakes (First Section):—From 1 1/4 Mile Post.)
This sprint race is confined to 1937 ponies. Winners of \$1,750 or more in stakes are barred. Among the ponies that are running in this event, Tai Ping Shun (K. Kwok) has the best recommendation for a win.

Straight Runner (M. Samarc) is known to move fairly fast over a short distance and may turn out to be a dangerous proposition. The third position will be fought out between Alex's Gift (Alex. Lam) and Ol Lok Princess (H. K. Chuang).

THIRD RACE

(Berks Handicap (First Section):—Six Furlongs.)
In this sprint race for Class 7 ponies it is not easy to spot the winner. An exciting race and a close finish are anticipated. It will be remembered that at the last meeting Vigorous Ava (Allan Chan) won the Mount Kellett Handicap for Class 8 ponies over the two mile post and, judging by that run, its chances of chalking up another win here are really bright.

BIRMINGHAM IN INTER-CITIES SEMI-FINALS

London, Apr. 17.
The English First Division team, Birmingham City, qualified for the semi-finals of the European Inter-Cities Football Tournament after defeating Milan's Internazionale by two goals to one at Birmingham tonight.—France-Press.

Sports Diary

TODAY

Shack-O Ladies Day Buggy Competition.

TOMORROW

Div. 1: Club V Army (Club) 9 p.m.; Police V Kwong Wah (BS) 8 p.m.; Div. 2: Club V Army (Club) 4.30 p.m.
35 hole final at snail on Old Course.

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Members of the public are invited to nominate Hongkong's Footballer of the Year for the current season.

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Cut this out and take it to the races on SATURDAY for your guidance Probable Starters, Weights & Riders

Probable starters, weights and riders for Saturday's Happy Valley race meeting are given below. This list is based on the most up-to-date information available. As an additional guide to form, the placings of the ponies in their last three starts will be found on the left hand side of their names.

12.30 noon Race 1 DEVON HANDICAP (1st Section), 6 Furlongs. Novice Class 5.	000 King Rite (Tokmokoff) 159 lbs.
010 Yin Chi (Honey) 159 lbs.	001 New Love (Tokmokoff) 159 lbs.
011 Beloved (Tokmokoff) 159 lbs.	Possible Acceptors: Five Gold, field, Appreciation, Empire Rose, Spinning Wheel, Possibility 157 lbs.
000 Crackerjack (Belokopoff) 159 lbs.	000 As You Like It (Lam) 147 lbs.
000 Ever-go (Tokmokoff) 146 lbs.	000 Cherry Pie (S. H. Wong) 147 lbs.
000 Precious Gem (Tokmokoff) 146 lbs.	000 Curtain Call (Lam) 147 lbs.
Possible Acceptors: Five Gold, field, Appreciation, Empire Rose, Spinning Wheel, Possibility 157 lbs.	000 New Delhi (Lam) 147 lbs.
12.35 p.m. Race 2 SURREY STAKES (1st Section), 3/4 Mile 110 Yards. 1937 Ponies.	000 Ngon Look (Chung) 147 lbs.
000 Alahale (Tokmokoff) 147 lbs.	000 Rob (Nobis) 147 lbs.
000 Alex's Gift (Rodney) 147 lbs.	000 Splendid (Lam) 147 lbs.
000 Ding Wong (Sofronoff) 147 lbs.	000 Temptation (S. H. Wong) 147 lbs.
000 Gamble (Tokmokoff) 147 lbs.	000 Tiger Shark (Nobis) 147 lbs.
000 Gay Minerva (Kramperoff) 147 lbs.	000 Willy Wally (Sofronoff) 147 lbs.
000 Kratty Klara (Tokmokoff) 147 lbs.	Possible Acceptors: Celebration Day, Opportunity, Field, Possibility 157 lbs.
000 Marvelous (Tokmokoff) 147 lbs.	000 Emerald (Chung) 157 lbs.
000 Ol Lok Princess (Lum) 147 lbs.	000 Gladie (Metrevelly) 156 lbs.
000 Straight Runner (Tokmokoff) 147 lbs.	000 Jip On (Chev) 155 lbs.
000 Sunrise (Lum) 147 lbs.	000 Fieldmaster (Shiu) 151 lbs.
000 Tai Ping Shan (Metrevelly) 147 lbs.	000 Aladdin (Kramperoff) 146 lbs.
Possible Acceptors: Lyndell, Philia Donna, Que Cera, Roman, Victory 157 lbs.	000 Violet Ray (Metrevelly) 141 lbs.
1.00 p.m. Race 3 BERKS HANDICAP (1st Section), 6 Furlongs.	000 Good Condition (Lum) 140 lbs.
000 Silver Dahlia (Sofronoff) 159 lbs.	000 Baymore (A. C. Wong) 147 lbs.
000 Santa Clara (Lum) 153 lbs.	000 Cirrus (Lum) 135 lbs.
000 Sinita (S. H. Wong) 151 lbs.	Possible Acceptors: Same Again, Venetia, Star-Go, SURREY STAKES, 3/4 Mile, 1937 Ponies.
000 Calypso (Rodney) 150 lbs.	001 Asha Diamond (Nobis) 146 lbs.
000 Vigorous Ava (Kramperoff) 147 lbs.	001 Blutterly (Nobis) 146 lbs.
000 Perfectibility (Sofronoff) 144 lbs.	001 Co-ordination (S. H. Wong) 146 lbs.
000 Mainland (Lum) 142 lbs.	001 Nafusa (Sofronoff) 146 lbs.
000 Ma Chie (Nobis) 142 lbs.	001 Berbi (Tokmokoff) 146 lbs.
000 Carola (A. C. Wong) 139 lbs.	002 Jake (Perseoff) 141 lbs.
Possible Acceptors: French Bean, Morning Dew, 139 lbs.	003 No Surprise (Sofronoff) 139 lbs.
1.30 p.m. Race 4 SURREY STAKES (2nd Section), 3/4 Mile 110 Yards. 1937 Ponies.	Possible Acceptors: Magic Eyes, Whiteaway, Edinburgh, Golden City, Sinita 139 lbs.
000 Blue Train (Lum) 147 lbs.	000 Wise Leader (Lum) 137 lbs.
000 Cavalry (Sofronoff) 147 lbs.	000 Orange King (Sofronoff) 154 lbs.
000 Heroine (Sofronoff) 147 lbs.	000 Emperor Delight (Nobis) 149 lbs.
000 Isfahan (Tokmokoff) 147 lbs.	000 Chikibura (Metrevelly) 148 lbs.
000 Lucky Chap (Tokmokoff) 147 lbs.	000 Attraction Power (Nobis) 147 lbs.
000 Mademoiselle (Nobis) 147 lbs.	000 Strathgaird (Rodney) 143 lbs.
000 Newington (Rodney) 147 lbs.	000 Comet (Perseoff) 142 lbs.
000 Permanent View (Lum) 147 lbs.	000 Rebel (S. H. Wong) 142 lbs.
000 Shillash (Metrevelly) 147 lbs.	Possible Acceptors: Chang Ting, Invincible 142 lbs.
000 Supermaster (Shiu) 147 lbs.	000 Apple Pie (S. H. Wong) 143 lbs.
000 Yam Sing (Rodney) 147 lbs.	000 Fox Hunter (Nobis) 143 lbs.
Possible Acceptors: Plumbly, Million Bonus, Winning Streak, 140 p.m. Race 5 SURREY STAKES (2nd Section), 3/4 Mile 110 Yards. 1937 Ponies.	000 Constellation (Nobis) 152 lbs.
000 Brilliance (Lum) 153 lbs.	000 Firestone (Metrevelly) 143 lbs.
000 Glamour Girl (Lum) 149 lbs.	000 Thousand Miles (Nobis) 143 lbs.
000 Golden Nugget (Kramperoff) 149 lbs.	000 Athlete (Lum) 140 lbs.
000 Challenger (Nobis) 143 lbs.	000 Winning Touch (S. H. Wong) 139 lbs.
000 Happy Birthday (Nobis) 143 lbs.	Possible Acceptors: Ann, 6.30 p.m. Race 6 SURREY HANDICAP, 3/4 Mile, Class 5.
000 Hellebore (Lum) 143 lbs.	000 Ben Lomond (Lum) 159 lbs.
000 King Kong (A. C. Wong) 143 lbs.	000 Goshie Shink (Kramperoff) 159 lbs.
000 Na Pail (Rodney) 143 lbs.	000 Aviemore (Lum) 159 lbs.
000 Victoria Peak (Rodney) 143 lbs.	000 Noise King (Belokopoff) 158 lbs.
000 Courier (Belokopoff) 158 lbs.	000 Mettelly (Metrevelly) 158 lbs.
000 Great Triumph (Nobis) 143 lbs.	000 Knock-down (Lum) 153 lbs.
000 Minamida (Perseoff) 138 lbs.	000 Lightning Feet (Sofronoff) 143 lbs.
000 Viewpoint (Tokmokoff) 138 lbs.	000 Vintar Et UA (A. C. Wong) 151 lbs.
Possible Acceptors: Welcome, 137 p.m. Race 7 HAMPSTIRE HANDICAP, 1 1/4 Miles.	001 Chester (Nobis) 140 lbs.
000 Duke's Court (Chev) 157 lbs.	000 Free Kick (Belokopoff) 153 lbs.
000 Equine (S. H. Wong) 156 lbs.	000 Newland Moon (Sofronoff) 153 lbs.
000 Free Kick (Belokopoff) 153 lbs.	000 Gay Girl (Kramperoff) 152 lbs.
000 Tamerlane (Sofronoff) 143 lbs.	000 Tamerlane (Sofronoff) 143 lbs.
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000 Tamerlane (Sofronoff) 143 lbs.	000 Good Girl (Lum) 140 lbs.
000 Atomic Caster (Nobis) 144 lbs.	000 Atomic Caster (Nobis) 144 lbs.

A RACE TO REMEMBER BROWN JACK'S LAST RACE: THE HORSE THAT WAS NEARLY HUMAN

By PERCY RUDD

Royal Ascot, June 22, 1934. There is an unusual tenseness in the air, for Brown Jack, ten years young, is to make his last appearance. Brown Jack, the horse of character, intelligence and courage, whose achievements and idiosyncrasies have made him a public idol all over the world.

For five years in succession he has won the Queen Alexandra Stakes of two and three-quarter miles—the longest flat event in the British calendar—and now, with his old friend, Steve Donoghue, on his back he is to try to make it six.

Brown Jack has always been a visiting clergyman and was held up as an example to all of the virtues of courage, kindness and good manners.

To look at him now in the paddock you would not think that he came here first six years ago to win the Ascot Stakes. He carries himself proudly as the rethine surrounding him.

If he is sweating a little and shivers at the knees occasionally, don't worry. These are just idiosyncrasies. Ivor Anthony, his trainer, will tell you: "The more he sweats the better he is, and the more he shivers the more he is alert."

And Steve Donoghue, now riding him for the fourth time, will explain that the horse always does a little dance in his stride on the way to the post and generally near the finish of every race, as if in anticipation and celebration of victory.

Steve is talking to Brown Jack's owner, Sir Harold Wernher. He holds out a pair of spurs, asking, "Shall I put these on?"

"Put everything on today," says Sir Harold. He knows, of course, they will never be used.

Cheers break out all over the course as Brown Jack and Mall Fist, the inseparable companion who has lived next door to him at Wroughton for four years, shared the same horsebox on many meetings and paced him many victories, canter past the stands—the last of the nine runners to go down to the post.

As the horses come back on the first stage of the long race Mall Fist is one of the two leaders but on the far side of the course he breaks down and drops a long way back.

Loosestrife, ridden by Gordon Richards, takes up a clear lead.

Loosestrife is done with before the final turn into the straight, where Brown Jack and Mall Fist come round at the head of the field. Side by side they race up the straight. The atmosphere is electric as Brown Jack gradually begins to draw away. At the winning post he is two lengths clear and beamish with joy.

Everybody rushes for the paddock to see the triumphal return of the wonder horse, and police have to make a lane for him and his jockey to get to the unsaddling enclosure. No film star ever had such a reception.

Brown Jack is patted on both sides from his neck to his hind-quarters and half the hives of his tail are pulled out. But he takes it all in his stride, proudly conscious of all the affection and admiration.

Steve Donoghue, in his autobiography recalls that as they entered the enclosure a white-haired woman stretched up to pat the horse's neck. Brown Jack, always the perfect gentleman, lowered his head to make the homage easier. But, says Steve, while she was patting him he was eating a bunch of flowers which he had removed from her dress!

As they reach the winner's enclosure Brown Jack stops and surveys the scene. Donoghue urges him to move, but he will not. He seems to be thinking "People are still crowding up to see me; I must give them all a chance." Then, when nobody else can get near he walks quietly in and is unsaddled.

Afterwards Steve is the triumphant return to Wroughton. The horse-box has BROWN JACK painted in white letters on the windscreen and at every frame block the police wave it on. The journey is done in less time than ever before.

There were mixed feelings that night at Wroughton, where Brown Jack on a Sunday morning before the Ascot meeting had

been the subject of a sermon by a visiting clergyman and was held up as an example to all of the virtues of courage, kindness and good manners.

Ivor Anthony who had sat under a tree in the paddock at Ascot because he could not face the strain of watching the race, and Mrs Aubrey Hastings, wife of his first trainer in England, who confessed that Brown Jack meant more to her than any other horse, knew that he was having them. So did the stable lads, and their joy was tinged with sadness.

He went with his equine pal into honorable retirement at Sir Harold Wernher's establishment, Thorpe Lubbenham Hall, the winner of 25 races and 225,310 in stakes. Aubrey Hastings had bought him as a two-year-old in Ireland on Sir Harold's behalf for £800.

Besides seven triumphs at Ascot—a record no other horse has ever approached—his victories included the Goodwood, Chester, Doncaster and Salisbury Cups, the Ebor Handicap, the Michael and Rosebery Memorial Stakes, the Prince Edward Handicap and Champion Hurdle Cup at Cheltenham.

During his retirement he went to Sir Alfred Munnings' studio in Essex for a fortnight to be painted. What the artist said of him is a fitting epitaph for a remarkable horse.

"He stands in the studio in a flower of light and just grunts and goes to sleep. I have never seen a quieter or a sweeter horse."

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Kansas City Athletics Again Beat The Detroit Tigers

Kansas City, Missouri, Apr. 17.
Brilliant two-hit relief pitching by Wally Burnette gave the Kansas City Athletics their second straight one-run victory over the Detroit Tigers 5-4 here today and the top spot in American League standings.

Burnette gave up two singles in five and one-third innings of relief after Detroit had scored four runs off starter Ned Garver.

Kansas City thus became the first team to win two games in the majors this year.

Harry Simpson gave the Athletics the win. He scored in the first when Jim Flanagan was hit by Garver. Harvey Kuenn and Charley Maxwell walked, and Ray Boone doubled to left, bringing the three home.

The Athletics came back with a pair in the bottom of the third on singles by Lopez, Gus Zernial, Simpson and Lou Sizus. Duane Mas came in to put out the fire for Detroit.

Lopez' homer tied it in the third and the Athletics went ahead when Simpson blasted one out of the park in the same frame.

A single by Ray Boone, an infield tap, a fly ball, and Mas' single knocked the count in the fourth to Detroit. Kansas City's final run came in the bottom of the fourth on Bob Cerv's triple and Joe Deane's single.

The only other Major League game scheduled today—St. Louis at Cincinnati and New York at Pittsburgh, both in the National League, were rained out.

THE SCORES
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Bunning, Mas (1), Crisman (5), Gramack (0) and Wilson; Garver, Burnette (1-0), LP—Mas (0-1). HRS—Lopez (1st), Simpson (1st)—United Press.

FARELF Basketball Championships
The finals of the FARELF Basketball Championships between the Hongkong Chinese Training Unit, the Singapore Engineer Regiment and the 1/10 Gurkha Rifles from Malaya, which were to have been played on Saturday morning, will now be played at the Transit Camp on Tuesday morning, April 23. The three games will start at 8.30, 10.30 and 12.30 a.m.

NO ATHLETICS TRAINING
Army athletes selected for the Combined Services team against the Combined Civilian will not now be required to turn out for special training at Boundary Street this coming Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday afternoon. The match has been postponed to a date to be decided upon by the HEAFA.

THE GAMBOLS



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Archie Moore Accused Of "Dodging"

Providence, R.I., Apr. 17.
Former National Boxing Association President Roy Peterson said he would meet the body as possible with other members of the World Championship. Committed to try to strip light-heavyweight Champion Archie Moore of his crown.

Peterson, foreign co-ordinator for the WCC, said Moore was "trying to dodge" Tony Anthony of New York in a little opponent.

Moore, now on a boxing exhibition in Germany, has been quoted as demanding a \$100,000 guarantee for a title fight with Anthony, who spent nearly two months in England last month.—United Press.

Army Refuses Ann AUM

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SIXPENNY RINGER

By HENRY LONGHURST

London.

While there are few aspects of the game of golf as played by our friends in the United States in which I will yield it to be superior to our own—always excepting their apparently inexhaustible supply of ruthlessly efficient players—there is one item of day-to-day play from which they derive much innocent amusement, and which we nowadays seem to miss altogether. This is what they call the club "Ringer" competition—or, as we should term it, "eclectic."

In most American clubs you will find a big score-sheet with names of the entrants, each followed by 18 squares, one per hole. The name "Ringer" comes from the fact that, as they fill in the squares one by one, with a par figure or better, they put a ring round the figure.

The competition runs for, say, three months, and the competitors enter for it, either automatically through an overall fee, or by dropping something in the box each time they play.

This adds greatly to the fun of day-to-day golf. The dearest of all the golfer's pleasures is to put in a single may be engraved by a break three at a long hole, the occasional two or even a one at a short hole, to put in a "Ringer."

As time goes on, the humbler of handicap players, deducting their allotted strokes, of course, see their totals creeping down towards the low sixties.

In America, where players are, on the whole, allergic to score-cards and secretaries even more allergic to taking on any extra work in connection therewith, we could run it more simply on an "honour" basis.

Those who had forgotten to put their sixpence in the box before going out could declare on the first tee that they were "in." As for substantiating their score at individual holes, it could simply be the practice that the new figure should be inserted on the main score-sheet by any one of the witnesses, but not by the player.

The idea was revived in my mind on a visit to Fildown last week, where I see that the ladies are running an eclectic tournament on these lines—in its early stages, I should say, judging by the numbers of unimproved sixes still in evidence.

Incidentally, this most congenial of club residents in a 300-year-old farmhouse notable for the absence of water and the consequent 18th century earthworks at the back, has for some months been rent with a spirited though always amicable,

CONNOLLYS HOMEWARD BOUND

Le Havre, Apr. 17. Newly-wed Olympic Champions Harold Connolly and Olga Filkova embarked on the liner "America" in Le Havre tonight on the last lap of their transatlantic honeymoon which started in Prague last month.

The Connollys are bound for New York after a four-day stay in Paris. Married in Prague on March 27, they have stayed in Austria, Germany and France on their way to the United States.

Harold Connolly, American Olympic Hammer Throw Champion, and Olga Filkova, Czech women's Discus Throw Champion, met at the Melbourne Olympic Games last year.

They told reporters at Le Havre they intend to live in Boston, where Harold is a history teacher, and where Olga will complete her medical studies. They hope to spend their next holiday in Czechoslovakia. —France-Press.

Macias III—Title Defence Postponed

San Francisco, Apr. 17. The illness of the NBA Bantamweight Champion, Raul Macias of Mexico, today forced the postponement until June 15 of his title defence against Danny Uras of the Philippines.

The fight, originally slated for May 11 at San Francisco's Cow Palace, was put off today by matchmaker Benny Furey on receipt of word that Macias was suffering from a "severe" cold and had not been able to train.

Ford said he tried for a date earlier than June 15, but found that that was the earliest date available. —United Press.

controversy due to the nearby arrival of a water main. The anti-water faction maintained that acceptance of this new-fangled civilising element would ruin irreparably the rustic charm of the club.

The opposition maintained that one could not forever, etc., and anyway the steward and stewards were entitled to water, even if the members did not miss it.

The "water men" won, plans were drawn, money was raised, and foundations begun. At the second dig of the spade they struck a spring and I regret to report that the work is now flooded.

A DIVERSION However, that is a diversion. I see in the general adoption of a Ringer competition in this country one certain, and one possible, benefit.

It is certain, in my opinion, that almost every club golfer would find it the greatest possible fun.

That in itself would be possible means of collecting the money for a National Golf Fund, which is now under discussion to cover the administrative and international commitments of the Royal and Ancient and the four Unions.

If every club would consent to pay to an independent body of trustees (which already exists) a sum equivalent to half the subscription of one member, all financial problems would be solved, with goodwill, for ever.

And the six-pence gathered painstakingly from the members for the fun of their Ringer tournament would not only cover their own club's comparatively humble commitment but would leave over a handsome bonus to be dispensed as a reward to the winner. I do hope that club captains will think about giving it a trial.

I am delighted, of course, that my new outlook on golf which I outlined earlier this week has been successful so soon with my win in the PGA Close Championship at Llandudno.

Although I had several lapses in each round—even with a 10-inch putt in that record 66—and my new plan needs perfecting, it exceeded even my hopes on its first trial.

Charles Ward, who was charming to play with, or rather against, kindly said at the prize-giving that he considered me the most improved short game player in the country.

On a few occasions I gave the ball too sharp a tap at the hole with my putter—notably at the 8th in the afternoon when I lost

half my lead by three putting from five yards. On the whole, however, my slower, quieter putting strokes paid dividends.

Throughout the championship at Llandudno I felt I was hitting the ball comfortably and easily but always firmly. Strangely enough, the more tense the situation became the easier I found it to swing slowly and with complete control.

My last full shot illustrated this perfectly. From the left I hit a No. 4 wood and found it with a firm grip and found it with almost on the green—nearer, perhaps, than I thought I could finish.

NEVER THE THOUGHT There was no thought in my mind of tearing the ball savagely out of the lush grass.

Also, a more considered approach to the problem of each

individual stroke helped to prevent me becoming in any way agitated. I know now exactly what I am trying to do before I play any shot.

Two 74s to finish and win a championship may not look dazzling on paper. No one in the field could catch Charlie or me if we kept to steady figures.

So there was no need for me to take risks—only to make sure of beating Charlie.

I am convinced that my new policy of restraint—from the tee on to the fairway, then three-quarter shots with the irons, all played with a slower swing and with the left heel on the ground—is right.

It is quite revolutionary for me—but I intend to go on improving it. —(London Express Service).

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Miss Ekberg Confuses Me Even More



Interpol has apparently been cast on the theory that brawn is better than art. It flourishes the two most spectacular physiques in the film business.

Watching Victor Mature and Anita Ekberg on the screen together is like being sandwiched between two heavyweight wrestlers. Wherever one turns only muscle is to be seen.

Their acting technique can be most charitably described as statuesque. They behave as if betraying their emotions were a treasonable charge.

Theoretically, Interpol is concerned with the activities of the International Police Organisation in tracking down dope peddlers. Actually, it is a thick-car chase through most of the larger cities of Europe with violence and geography tussling each other for prominence. Violence wins easily.

All you need know about the plot is that Victor Mature is an American detective, Trevor Howard is the sinister villain with narcotics tucked away in every capital city, and Anita

Ekberg is a heroin-smuggling heroine. The rest is meticulously confusing.

So he's shot However, some idea of the energetic level of Interpol can be seen when I tell you that Ekberg shoots a man for making a pass at her in London, after which she hurries off to Lisbon to pick up some dope to be taken to Rome.

In Rome Mature beats up six men single-handed, races off to chase Trevor Howard across some rooftops in Athens, and finally kills him as he is being lifted in a crane in the docks of New York. There are more airports in this film than there are pistol shots.

John Gilling's direction pushes this nonsense along at such a furious rate that there is hardly time for incredulity to settle in. Before you realise it you are racing for the exits.

Victor Mature is allowed to display twice as many facets of his personality as Miss Ekberg, since he is seen with both his hat on and his hat off. Miss Ekberg never wears a hat.

Tough, tense The Navy in a tough spot has now become one of the staple subjects of the British film industry. There would seem to be little of interest left to say about heroic stoicism on the bridge and lower-deck humour in the boiler-room.

It is therefore a considerable achievement on the part of Yangtze Incident that an almost documentary account of the story of HMS Amethyst should have retained so much excitement and tension in the telling.

The frigate Amethyst, on its way to Nanjing in 1949 during the Chinese civil war, suddenly found itself under murderous fire from batteries of the Chinese Communist Army. Before the smoke had cleared away, 64 of her crew were dead, dying or seriously wounded, and the Amethyst had run aground on the mud.

Inexplicably, the Communists did not then sink the Amethyst, but entered into long negotiations with the British Government for the release of the ship. Months of bargaining took place in which the Chinese insisted that the British should admit complete responsibility for the incident, while the Royal Navy would do nothing of the kind.

With fuel oil running desperately low and the food situation beginning to deteriorate, Lieut.-Commander Kerans, an assistant naval attaché who had taken over command after the Amethyst's captain had been killed, decided to risk a 140-mile dash down the Yangtze to safety.

The film has vividly caught the three main dramatic elements of this story—the baffled surprise of the sailors finding themselves suddenly at war, the amateurish over-elaborate etiquette with which the Chinese conducted their face-saving negotiations, and the courageous escape itself done in pitch-blackness through unfamiliar waters and within deadly range of enemy guns along the river.

Eric Ambler's script is a model of economic and vivid portage, while Michael Anderson has directed with a sure hand restrained detail, regretted only the absence of some maps in the early sequences which would have enabled me to

understand the relative positions of the Communist and Nationalist armies, and the location of the cities on the river.

The cast, headed by Richard Todd as Kerans and William Hartnell as Seaman Frank, have done this type of thing so often they must by now have run instead of blood, in their veins. Alkin Tanner, looking like a hollow lot that talks, is beautifully sinister as a Chinese officer.

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Auxiliary Fire Service Orders

Orders by Mr. Yung Ping-fan, C. St. J., Commissioner of St. John Ambulance Brigade, Hong Kong District, No. 10/57 dated April 18, 1957.

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DEATHS

ILL—ANTHONY AUGUSTO (Tony),
age 24, at St. Paul's Hospital,
Thursday, April 18, 1957.
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NOTICE is hereby given
that the Annual General
Meeting of the Society will
be held at the Board Room
of the Hong Kong Jockey
Club, Alexandra House, 8th
Floor, on Tuesday 30th April,
1957, at 5.30 p.m. to receive
the Report of the Committee
for the year ended 31st
December, 1956, and to
approve the Accounts and to
transact such other business
as may be necessary accord-
ing to the Constitution of the
Society.

By order of the
Executive Committee,
H. MAITLAND,
Secretary.
Hong Kong, 18th April, 1957.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES

"MARON"
Damaged cargo on this vessel will
be surveyed by Messrs. Goddard &
Douglas at 101/111 Wharf from 10 a.m.
on April 22, 1957, and consignees are
requested to have their representa-
tives present during the survey.
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE
Agents.
Hongkong, April 17, 1957.

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Australia Still Riding On The Sheep's Back

By N. KING WOOD

Sydney, Apr. 9. (By Air Mail)

Whatever may be said about the virtues or otherwise of
respective State and Federal Governments there is not a shadow
of doubt that the country in general, and NSW in particular,
are enjoying greater prosperity now than at any time in history.

And this is at a time when
for the last five years, at least,
all those people who should
know have been warning of a
slump, a tightening of money,
and the general threat that
hard times are on the way.

There is no doubt, of course,
that Australia is still happily
riding on the sheep's back, but
the fact that we are now
having our second best wool
selling season ever is only part
of the story.

While Government controls,
embargoes, and restrictions have
had much to do with this,
nature also has played a mighty
part. A virtual wiping out of
the rabbit pest by myxomatosis
has been worth untold millions
to the country and certainly is
reflected in the huge volume
of wool going from the sale
rooms.

We have just finished a trip
through southern NSW without
sighting one rabbit, and where
various graziers and landowners
say that present-day youngsters
on the farm look upon the sight
of a rabbit as the highlight of
their month.

Trade Surplus

This time last year we were
battling with our overseas trade
balance. After nine months
trading in the present financial
year we have a visible trade
surplus of more than £200
million. Exports have
exceeded imports by £206.1
million compared with a reverse
balance of £77.3 million in the
same period last year. In that
nine months we have exported
goods valued at £739.1 million
which seems a reasonable figure
for what was a minor
agricultural country not so long
ago.

It was estimated recently that
overseas companies are in the
course of investing in this
country £240 million; in Sydney
this week a company announced
that it is prepared to erect four
new city skyscrapers at a cost
of £4,500,000—this is to be added
to the buildings now in pro-
gress valued at some £28
million.

The Australian Aluminium
Company Pty. Ltd. has an-
nounced that it proposes to
enlarge its factory at the
Sydney suburb of Granville at a
cost of more than £4
million—this obviously to offset
the news that an American and
British aluminium firm will
open a £20 million plant here.
The savings bank balances of
all Australians are at record
levels and unemployment is
practically non-existent.

All in all, the present is very
rosy and the future looks even

COMPLAINT TO ISRAEL BY BURNS

United Nations, Apr. 17.
E. L. M. Burns,
commander of the United Na-
tions Emergency Force, has
complained to Israel about two
border crossings by Israeli
soldiers and requested the re-
turn of cattle stolen from the
Gaza strip, it was announced
tonight.

General Burns sent a letter
to the Israeli authorities, citing
border incidents occurring on
March 10 and April 1.

Israel last week, in a letter to
the Security Council, said there
had been 19 border incidents
involving infiltrators from the
Egyptian-held Gaza strip since
March 12. General Burns on
April 7 informed the Egyptian
administration in Gaza that
Arab civilians on two occasions
attempted to cross the line and
said he hoped effective action
would be taken to prevent a re-
currence.

A UN announcement said that
since UNEF took positions on
the Egyptian side of the Gaza
strip demarcation line, General
Burns had registered three
other complaints of violations
with the Israeli government.

On March 20 he complained
of some 14 incursions by Israeli
planes over the Gaza strip.
On April 1, he protested against
the crossing of the line by an
Israeli patrol. On April 12, he
told Israel one of its patrols had
fired across the line against a
number of Arabs in a sector
occupied by a Swedish UNEF
battalion.—United Press.

A nation of spongers

These activities do not seem
to line up with a statement by
Mr Keith Brown, President of
the Victorian Chambers of
Commerce, who declared this
week that Australians were
encouraged from earliest youth
to be a nation of spongers.

He told the annual conference
of the Association Chambers of
Commerce of Australia that
unless this was arrested the
nation would decay.

He condemned "the weaken-
ing of our moral fibre by the
over-sweeping sphere of so-
called Government aid."

Strangely enough this rather
sweeping statement has gone
almost unchallenged.

Australians of two AIFs had
been somewhat renowned as
"spongers" which is vastly
different from "spongers".

A sponger was one who
was able to bring to light all
sorts of desirable pieces of
equipment, comforts and food
at a time and place when the
bringing to light of such things
was considered a general
impossibility.

A sponger of course is quite
the opposite.

Incurable optimist

It was announced in an
American journal recently that
the average citizen is an in-
curable optimist. He believes
he has a chance of winning the
first prize in any lottery but
that he has not the slightest
chance of being involved in a
road accident.

That fits the average
Australian fairly aptly particu-
larly in the lottery field.

Last week the NSW State
Lottery Office paid out a neat
record of £220,550 in prizes. It
drew nine lotteries, seven with
a first prize of £6,000 each and
about 1,000 other prizes ranging
from £2,000 down to £5; one
mammoth lottery which has a
first prize of £30,000 and well
over 1,000 other prizes; and a
special lottery with a first prize
of £12,000 and a string of
minors.

This was the first time that
nine government lotteries have
been drawn in one week this
year although it has been
equalled on two other occasions.
Lottery sales for the first
nine months of the financial
year showed an increase of
£830,000 compared with the
same period last year, indicat-
ing that there are still a few
characters around who are still
looking for a few easy shillings.

Knew Marconi

For 20 years Mr George
Blake of Sydney has done
research work at Sydney
University and for all those
years has borne all the expense
himself.

Two years ago he achieved
the rare distinction of being
awarded a Bachelor of Science
degree without sitting for the
usual examination. This week
his 20 years' research was
crowned by the award of the
degree of Master of Science.

He won't tell his age, but
admits he knew personally
Marconi and Sir Oliver Lodge,
and before he came to Sydney
in 1935 he worked with radio
and X-rays in England for 32
years.

He was the first man to
transmit the first voice across
London by radio.

Tremendous value

Australia's back-room organi-
sation—CSIRO—has now come
forward with a process that
greatly reduces water evapora-
tion from dams and reservoirs
which should prove "a
tremendous value to the world."
Out at hot, dry Broken Hill
over the past 14 weeks
evaporation from the city's main
water supply reservoir has been
reduced by 37 per cent. In
that time more than 200 million
gallons of water—equivalent to
six weeks' summer consumption
in Broken Hill—has been saved
at an estimated cost of 1d. per
thousand gallons.
The Commonwealth Scientific
Industrial Research Organisa-

MODERN-DAY KNIGHT



Knights of old rode to the joust on a charger; 1957's Mr
Kenneth Quicke, in a shining suit of armour, rides to the
Electrical Engineers Exhibition at Earls Court, London, on a
modern motor scooter (with "L" plates) and a modern miss
on the pillion. Mr Quicke was acting as a living trade mark
for a paint manufacturing firm.—Reuterphoto.

Former Envoy Opposes Trade Relaxation

Washington, Apr. 17.
Mr Patrick J. Hurley, former
United States Ambassador to
China during the Franklin
Roosevelt administration, told
the press today, after visiting
President Eisenhower, at the
White House, that he is against
letting Communist China "to
shoot its way into the United
Nations".

RAPIDS DISAPPEAR AS A PHASE ENDS ON ST LAWRENCE PROJECT

Ottawa, Apr. 17.

An old-timer returning to the famous Long
Sault rapids of the St Lawrence river on the
morning of April 1, 1957, might have thought
himself the victim of a delusion, or of a gigantic
April Fool's day prank.

Over the week-end, the flow
of the mighty St Lawrence river
had been diverted, as part of
the conveyance power pro-
gramme, and the Long Sault
rapids, a famous tourist attrac-
tion, had disappeared with
dramatic suddenness. The main
channel quickly dried up, re-
vealing the huge boulders which
had caused the turbulence of the
waters for centuries.

SCALE MODEL

The water is being diverted
to permit completion of the
second stage of the 2,600 feet
long concrete power dam de-
signed to produce 1,600,000
kilowatts of power.

Everything had been thought
out beforehand. The whole
project had been studied on a scale
model, and even the fish left
stranded by the operation were
taken care of. But, because of
the turbulence of Long Sault, far
fewer fish were involved here
than in some adjacent sections
of the project. At nearby
Barnhart Island, for example,
11,000 fish were taken out with
reines and pond nets and all the
same fish, such as bass and
pickered (wall-eyed pike in the
United States) were placed in
water tanks before being
dumped in nearby sections of
the river.

THE PLUG

The operation has been a
tricky one, involving the build-
ing of a temporary coffer dam
above Long Sault rapids into
which 210,000 cubic yards
(nearly 400,000 tons) of rock
and other filter material were
packed. Meanwhile a long ex-
cavation was made through
Long Sault Island to the south
channel of the new course of
the St Lawrence river.

A "plug" 1,100 feet long
blocking this new channel had
to be removed while the main

stream was choked off by the
coffer dam.

According to eye-witness ac-
counts, diversion of the great
river, which provides the flow
of Niagara Falls, was an eerie
sight.

Board Of Control To Check Disarmament

London, Apr. 17.
Mr Harold Stassen, President
Eisenhower's adviser on dis-
armament question, today sug-
gested the creation of a Na-
tional Board of Control to
check on international dis-
armament measures.

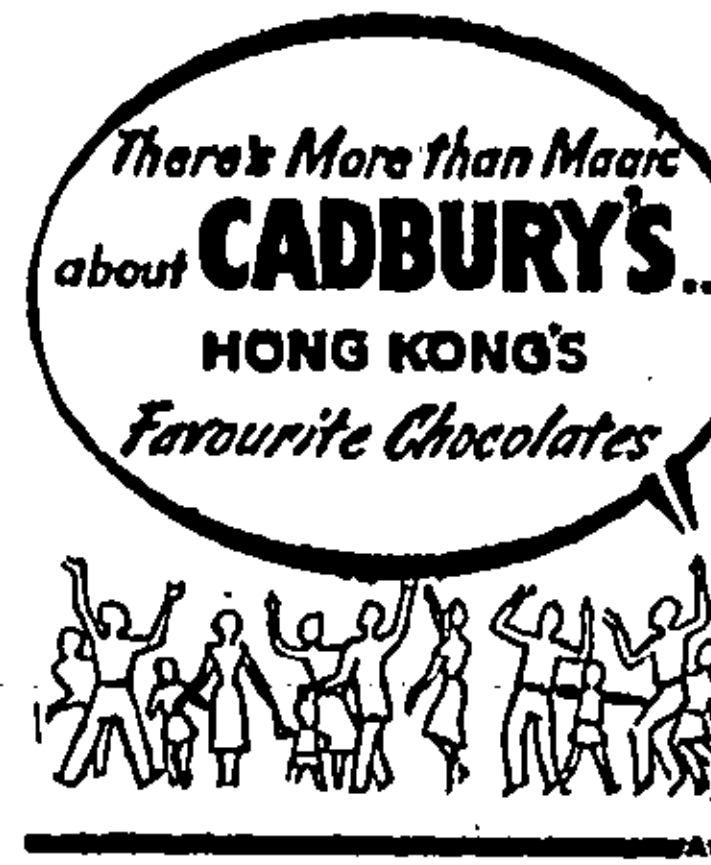
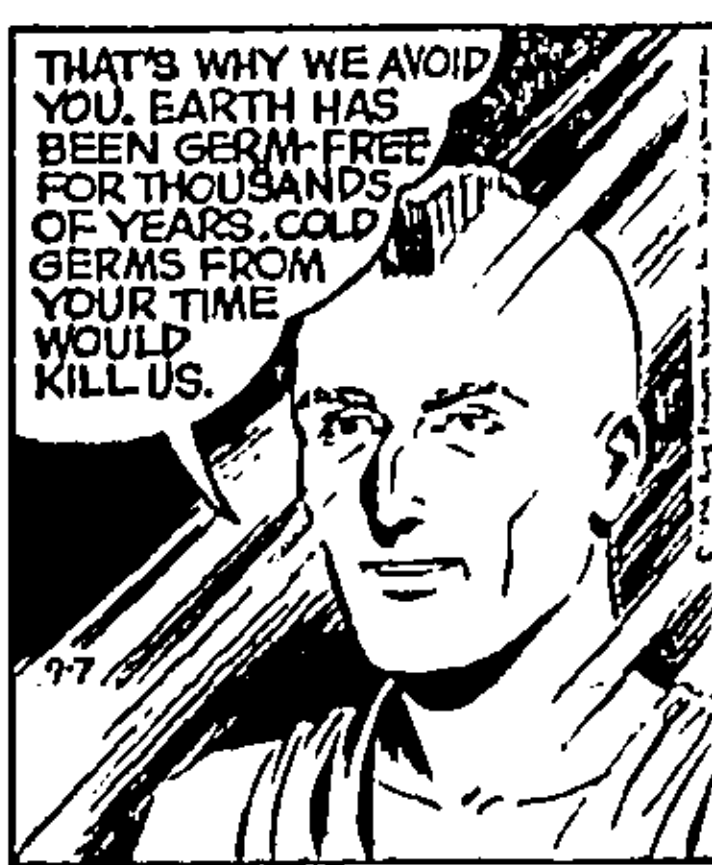
Mr Stassen made the sug-
gestion at today's meeting of
the five-nation United Nations
subcommittee on disarmament,
which is meeting here.

Later the United States ac-
cepted Russia's offer for a per-
manent "open skies" disarmament
plan in Europe on condition the
Russians agree to widen the area
under inspection.—France-
Presse and United Press.

New Delhi, Apr. 17.
India's new 39-member
Council of Ministers were
sworn in by President Rajendra
Prasad tonight.—Reuter.

MANDRAKE THE MAGICIAN

By Lee Falk and Phil Davis



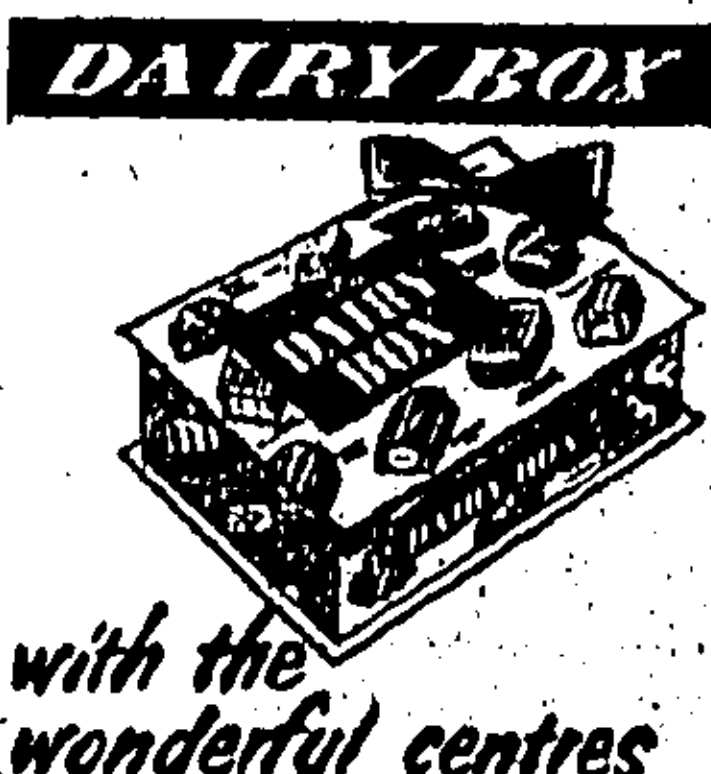
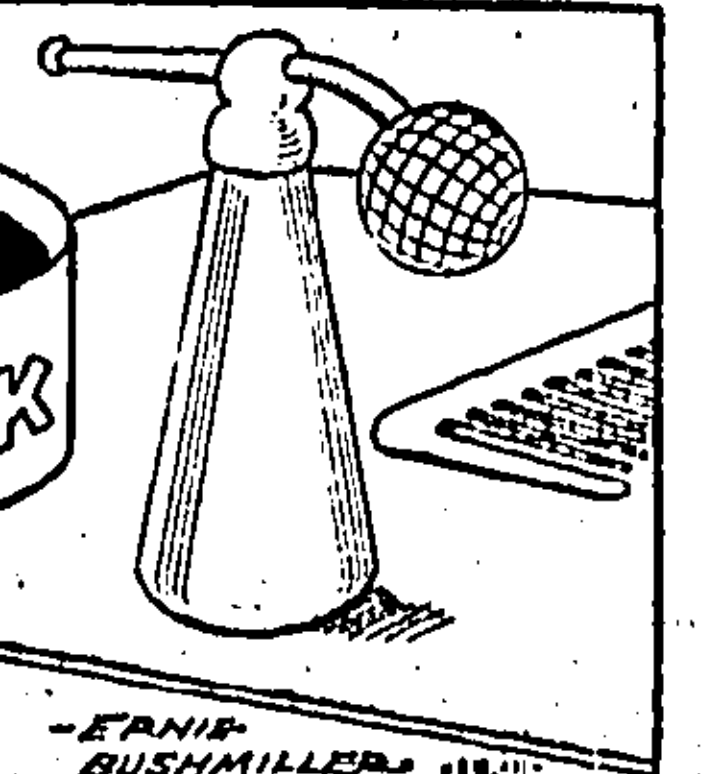
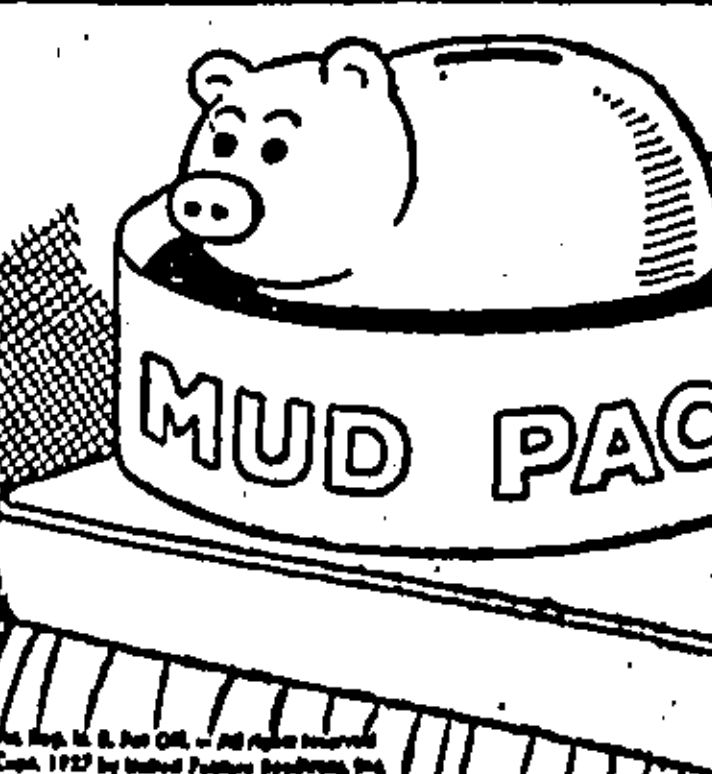
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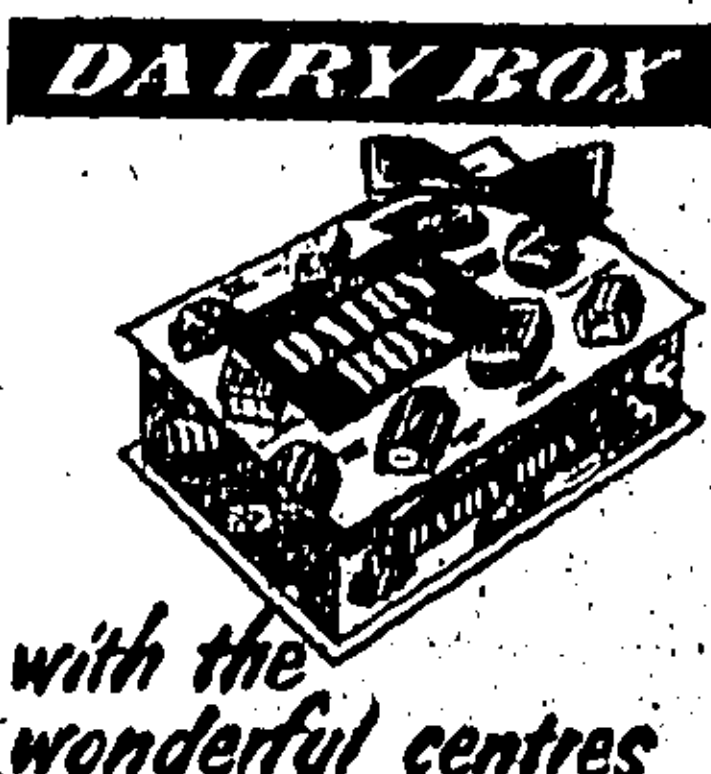
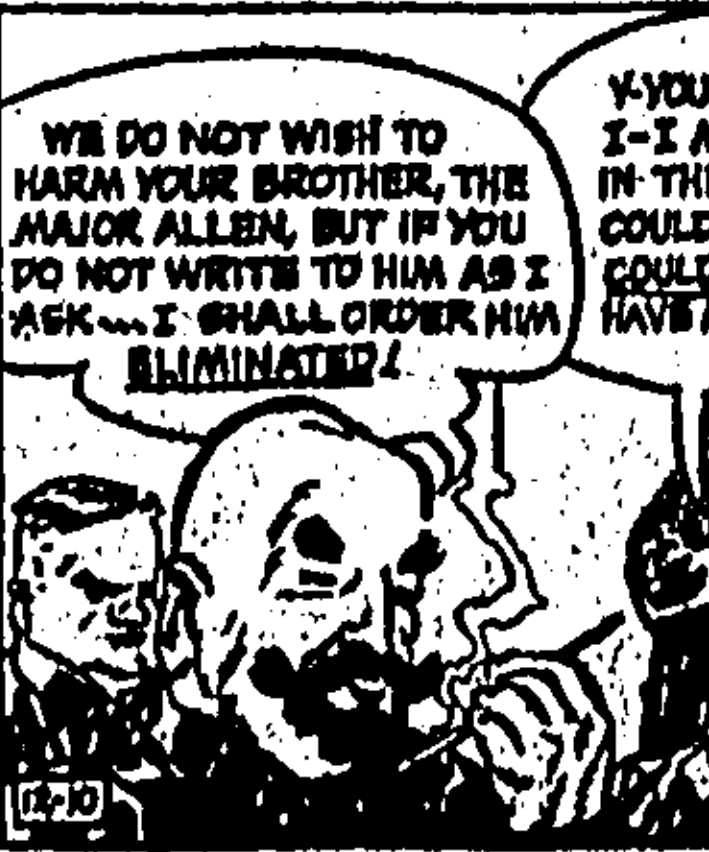
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TRADE and COMMERCE SECTION

1957 BRITISH INDUSTRIES FAIR

Birmingham To Be Centre Of Exhibition

London, Apr. 17. Some 50 countries in all parts of the world seem likely to be represented among the buyers coming to the British Industries Fair which will be open from May 6-17.

But this year the Fair will not be in London and Birmingham, as in the past. It will be concentrated in Birmingham.

In the past, the Birmingham section of the Fair has accommodated heavy engineering, electrical, hardware and building goods, the backbone of British industrial effort.

This year these sections will again dominate, but the scope will be widened to cater for consumer products, and anything who formerly exhibited at the London Fair, and who is connected in any way with these industries will be eligible to show in Birmingham. Many London exhibitors have signified their intention of participating. The Birmingham Chamber of Commerce owns, on the Castle Bromwich site, the largest single-roofed exhibition hall in Europe. It is in this hall, developed over the years, that the exhibition is to be held. Better facilities than ever before are to be offered, not only to exhibitors but to buyers, for discussing British industry's capacity to supply the world's needs in a period when competition is growing and 'normal' trading conditions are beginning to return.

The Lay-out

The lay-out of the exhibition is simple. Under the one roof there are seven avenues. There are no balconies, and no stairs for buyers to climb from one floor to another. Buyers do not have to go out into the open air to get from one trade section to another, and the sections of the Fair are being so arranged that their continuity will be matched by their affinity. Thus, consumer goods and hardware will adjoin building exhibits, and heating and decoration will adjoin electrical, which in turn will adjoin engineering exhibits.

Each trade section is to be self-contained, with its own dining rooms and buyers' cloakrooms, and there will be an Overseas Buyers' Club in the centre of the Fair, where there will also be a central information bureau to supply accommodation and travel information for buyers. The Corporation, proud possessor of one of the most famous technical reference libraries in the world, is preparing to establish in the centre of the Fair an inquiry bureau in direct telephonic communication with the reference library in the heart of the city. Answers to any technical questions asked will be available within a few minutes. There will be a corps of interpreters in all European and some Asiatic languages at the Overseas Buyers' Club.

Outside the main hall there are open spaces where mechanical handling devices will be on display and in operation.

Travel Facilities

Facilities for those travelling to the Fair will be better and greater than in any previous year, and already the B.I.F. authorities have prepared a list of approved accommodation for buyers. During the period of the Fair the Festival of Birmingham will also take place. Yehudi Menuhin will be giving a concert, and the Halle Orchestra will be present under its celebrated conductor Sir John Barbirolli.

New signposting is being erected in the streets. The services to Edmond, Birmingham airport, and the latest Viscounts will be put into the improved service which British European Airways is organizing. Buyers flying to this country from overseas and landing at London or Glasgow will have direct feeder services to Birmingham.

British Railways' arrangements provide 2* some London express to be re-routed so that they will go direct to Castle Bromwich before Birmingham.

Visitors who wish to bring their cars with them should apply to their national motor association for an International

Circulation Permit. Advice on motoring in Great Britain may be obtained from the Royal Automobile Club, Pall Mall, London, S.W.1, or from the Automobile Association, Fanum House, Coventry Street, London, W.1. There are ample facilities for parking at the Fair.

Visitors who wish to tour Britain on holiday when they come to the Fair can get all the information they want from the tourist information centre of the British Travel and Holiday Association, 64/65 St James's Street, London, S.W.1. The majority of Britain's largest cities are within 150 miles of the Fair, and so it is comparatively easy for exhibitors to take buyers to their own factories for further consultation and demonstration.

General Samples

The British Industries Fair is a general samples fair; it is not devoted to any one particular trade. The range of products on show is therefore very wide, and this year every effort is being put in to make the exhibits active rather than static. For instance, one stand, a complete foundry showing modern methods of producing castings will be in operation. The fact that the Fair is a general one is of particular advantage to buyers who cannot spare the time to visit the many specialised shows that occur at various periods in the year. The Fair is noted for the new products which often are presented at it for the first time, in addition to new versions of well-known goods and new finishes for well-tried lines. This year is no exception. The organisers believe not only that buyers want to know what is on display of a general nature, but also that it is vital to them to know what is new.

In the Overseas and Home publicity this point is given special emphasis. A list of such new products as are known to the organisers has already been sent overseas, and others will be sent to overseas buyers who are unable to visit the Fair are writing from all over the world requesting information. At roughly the same time as the British Industries Fair in Birmingham there are three other exhibitions in England—the Instruments, Electronics and Automation Exhibition at Olympia, May 7-17; the Gifts Fair at Alexandra Palace, May 13-17; and the Factory Equipment Exhibition at Earls Court, April 22 to May 4. All these are in London, and increase the value of a visit to England for the British Industries Fair at Birmingham.

Although the Fair in Birmingham will be without the moral support of its familiar sections at Olympia and Earls Court, its concentration in one hall will have advantages for buyers. Many business men find exhibition-visiting something of an ordeal, and if it can be done in comfort and what is more, expeditiously, so much the better.

Other Attractions

The English countryside is at its best in May when the Fair is held, and many of Britain's beauty spots are within easy reach of it. There will certainly be much else to see and do—theatres, concerts, festivals, ballet, art galleries by the score, and such events as the Royal Academy Summer Exhibition, which opens during May and continues to mid-August; the Football Association Cup Final at the Wembley Stadium, May 4; the Royal Windsor Horse Show, Home Park, Windsor, May 9-11; the Rugby League Cup Final, Wembley Stadium, May 11; the Chelsea Flower Show at the Royal Hospital Grounds, Chelsea, London, May 21-24; and the Amateur Golf Championship, Sandwich, Kent, May 27-June 1.

Special arrangements have been made to ensure that visitors from overseas can obtain sufficient petrol for all their needs. The Government have announced

TRADE WITH CHINA DISCUSSIONS

Washington, Apr. 17. The United States and 14 other nations have begun preliminary discussions on the possibility of increasing allied trade with Red China, officials said today.

These sources said the talks got under way in the past few days in Paris. They will be continued there and in various other capitals among the 15 free world nations co-operating to control trade with the Communist world.

Britain, Japan, and other allies are pressing for more trade with Red China. The United States has been considering whether it can agree to such an increase for other nations. It has no intention of lifting its own ban on all US trade with Chinese Communists.

Some reports said Britain has notified the United States she intends to step up her trade with Red China regardless of whether the United States approves. Officials here said, however, they do not expect Britain to pull out of the 15-nation trade control group and go it alone.

But they said Britain probably will continue use of an "exceptions procedure" which in special cases permits trade with Red China in otherwise banned items. Britain has used this procedure in the past to export tractors and certain types of vehicles to China.—United Press.

New York Sugar Market

New York, Apr. 17. World No. 4 sugar futures today closed 10 points higher to 9 points lower with sales of 1,075 contracts.

Domestic No. 6 sugar futures closed off 2 to 5 points with sales of 142 contracts. Strength in nearby world deliveries reflected covering in May, following the prompt absorption of 389 transferable notices, and firmness in the raw market.

Western Germany was the accredited buyer of 20,000 tons of Cuban sugar and were reported negotiating for another 8,000 tons.

Domestic No. 6 sugar futures eased under realising before the long week-end Easter recess.

Contract No. 4 (world)

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July	6.71-72
Sept.	6.72
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Nov.	6.74
Dec.	6.75
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